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Rivers to host meeting

Congresswoman Lynn Rivers will host a 10:30 a.m. Feb. 22 Town Hall Meeting in the auditorium of the Wayne County RESA annex, 33500 Van Born Road.

Rivers will discuss the opening of the 105th Congress and answer questions from the audience.

Potholes persist

With alternating frosts and thaws, Wayne County roads continue to be plagued with potholes. Despite patching efforts, old potholes re-appear and new ones add to the hazards of

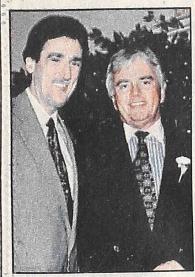
To report dangerous potholes on Wayne County roads, call 1-888- ROAD-CREW anytime.

Those who wish to enter the MCN Pothole Contest may submit the location of the worst pothole in their area by calling the editorial department at 729-4000. The winner of the contest will receive a free alignment.

HCMA has new director

Frank J. Sudek has been appointed director of the Huron- Clinton Metropolitan Authority by its board of commissioners.

Sudek has 36 years of service with the park district. starting in 1960 on the field engineering staff.



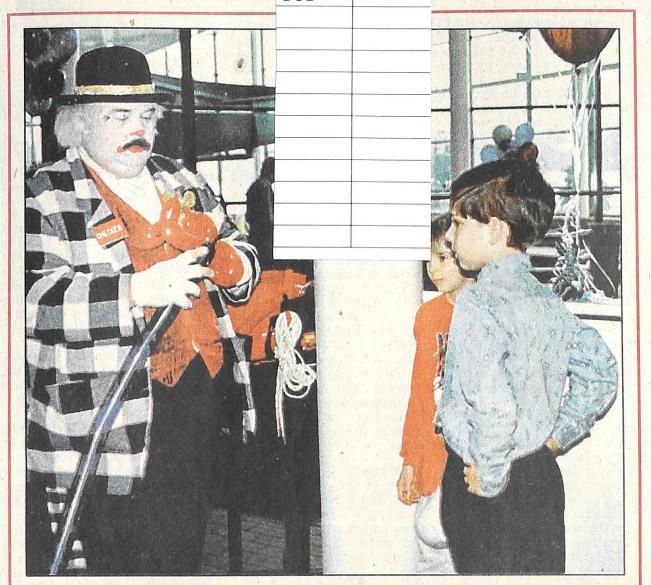
Wayne County Probate Judge Milton Mack (left) had an opportunity to talk with former Taylor Mayor Cameron Priebe at the Downriver Community Conference annual dinner last Thursday. Priebe is the newly appointed assistant Wayne County executive in charge of public services. Additional photos and an article about the event appear on Page

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Happy birthday!

Canton youngsters watched with wonder as Checker the Clown made balloon animals at the first anniversary of the opening of the Summit on the Park community center. Some 130,000 people have visited the Summit since its opening last year. MCN photo by Kimberly Woloskie

Cislo enters growing race to fill state rep vacancy

By AL POST MCN Staff Writer

A second candidate-Susan Cislo of Taylor-has announced that she will run for the vacancy caused by 22nd District State Rep. Gregory Pitoniak's resignation to assume the office of Taylor mayor.

Earlier Taylor Treasurer Wayne Avery announced he would seek the Democratic nomination for the state rep post. Cislo said she still is "weighing her options" as she ran as an independent last No-

But sources close to Cislo revealed Monday night she was about to declare as a candidate for the Democratic

By AL POST

MCN Staff Writer

A 50-day spiritual adven-

ture to create "the church

members of Community

United Methodist Church al-

ways longed for" will begin on

Sunday, Pastor Brad Lewis re-

"No church is perfect,"

Lewis admitted, "but when

God gets hold of a church--

miracles happen! That is what

we're looking forward to dur-

ing the up-coming eight week

curred at thousands of other

churches throughout North

America, he said. The program

entitled "The Church You've

Always Longed For: What You

Can Do to Make It Happen"

was created by the Chapel

Ministries (a national non-

denominational Christian out-

Similar programs have oc-

series."

reach group).

Ultimate church

campaign begins

nomination.

City Councilwoman Deborah Romak said "there could be as many as six candidates for the Democratic nomination." The winner of that battle is expected to be the new state representative, since the 22nd District is strongly Democratic.

Cislo lists as one of her top legislative goals as creating extra state funds for local school districts that wish to retrain teachers to use the phonics method of teaching reading.

Cislo also states protection of the environment as a key factor in her potential candidacy.

Both candidates, and others on the sidelines, are awaiting

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Gov. John Engler's call for a special election date for the 22nd district state representative's seat.

On Monday, Michigan House Speaker Curtis Hertel (D-Detroit) urged Engler to quickly call for such a special election, "so that the people of Romulus and Taylor will continue to have a voice in the Michigan House."

Since the legislative session is just getting underway for the year, immediate action will ensure that the 22nd House District seat does not remain open any longer than necessary."

Pitoniak added "there are simply no reasons to delay the scheduling of a special elec-

Rev. Brad Lewis

"I'm delighted Community United Methodist Church can be part of this global event," Lewis said. "Although I believe our church is already a pretty great place, this gives the entire church family a chance to work together to make it even more inviting and welcoming." Those in the greater Ro-

mulus community interested topics, adults, teens and young in getting involved in this program should contact the church by calling 941-0736.

Citizens press for 4-year terms

By AL POST MCN Staff Writer

The possibility of placing a four-year term option for city officials on the ballot this year increased Monday night, as two private citizens turned in petitions asking the council to approve such a ballot proposal.

The two registered voters, Dawn Smith and Debbie Chasse, turned in the term change petitions early in the council meeting, with a request that the council vote to place the issue on the ballot so that the new term limits would begin in 1997.

Five council votes would be needed to place such a charter change on the ballot.

Councilwoman Deborah Romak reacted negatively to the "surprise" citizen request, but said she supported the citizens' right to file such peti-

A similar request failed a council vote last year, but Councilman Michael Prybyla announced several weeks ago that he would press again for the term extension.

Prybyla disapproved of the "surprise" claim made by Romak and others, since he openly told his fellow council members of his planned actions earlier.

Councilman William Wadsworth complained the 28year-old city charter needed to be restudied and revised, but said it was "self-serving" on some city officials' part to push

Both Wadsworth and Mayor pro tem Randolph Gear felt the city's voters had spoken out three time negatively on such a request in the past and didn't think a simple four-year-term issue vote was proper at this time.

But veteran Councilman Jimmie Raspberry said if City Clerk Linda Choate certified enough registered voters names on the petitions, "it is out of our hands and it is mandatory we place the issue on the ballot."

Choate was then asked to check the signatures on the petitions to see if enough names were listed and to report back to the council.

Choate said the city charter demands that such petitions contain at least six percent of the registered voters listed at the last mayoral election.

Prybyla, Raspberry and City Council members William Crova and Mary Collins are known to support such a charter change.

Gear, Wadsworth and Romak (known by some as the Beverly McAnally wing of the political spectrum in Romulus) are opposed to such a change at this time.

The fight over the term length issue could be one of the last key political battles between McAnally, the former mayor, and current Mayor William Oakley.

Prybyla said Tuesday that he thought the petitions carried about 400 registered voters names. "I think we need about 1,500 names to place it on the ballot without a vote by the council, so we will need to collect many more names quickly," Prybyla said.

Time is getting short if the issue is to impact the 1997 election terms.

The City Clerk's office could face a number of elections this year including one for two seats on the school board, a primary to select State Rep. Gregory Pitoniak's replacement, a general election on the same issue, potentially a charter change election and a fall city election.

Most political observers feel that some of the above issues could be combined on a single pallot, but timing is the most important element impacting

Choate said in the past it costs the city up to \$10,000 per election.

Supporters of the term length extension feel that such a change would create a much more stable form of government in Romulus and allow mayoral administrations to hire veteran staff members.

In the past many administrations have had problems hiring top department heads because of the two year aspect. Romulus politicos say few outof-town administrators want to risk their careers with such short term appointment possi-

Ice cream social set for tumor victim

Romulus brain tumor victim Cymonne Pyles will celebrate her ninth birthday on Valentine's Day with a special fund raising ice cream social at Hale Creek School.

Tickets for the ice cream party for the young Hale Creek School student will cost \$2.50 in advance and \$3 at the door. The fundraiser will be conducted from 7 to 9 p.m. Feb. 14.

Cymonne, despite her therapy, has been attending her classes on at least a half day basis, friends say.

Funds will be donated to the Pyles family health costs.

Pyles, daughter of Deborah and Jeff Pyles, was first diagnosed with a brain tumor just before Halloween 1996. She since has had an operation to remove 60 to 80 percent of the tumor and has undergone extensive chemotherapy to slow the tumor's enlargement.

The family will be flying back to St. Jude's Hospital in Memphis, Tenn. on Feb. 17 at which time Cymonne will begin an intensive eight week period of radiation therapy. Tickets for the ice cream

fund raiser can be purchased at any of the Romulus schools.

A recent computer raffle completed at Wick Elementary School by the Friends of Cymonne committee raised \$781, committee spokesperson Carole Bales revealed last week.

The computer was donated by Wick School teacher Diane

The donations included 200 gifts of \$20 and and 60 of \$10 even though the tickets cost only 50 cents or were sold three for one dollar.

A major story and photo update on Cymonne's condition and fund raising effort successes will be highlighted in next week's Romulus Roman newspaper.

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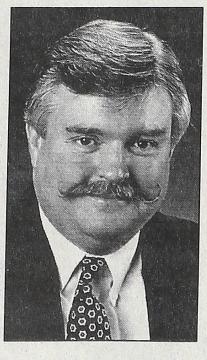
Patterson presents county overview

By JOAN DYER-ZINNER MCN Managing Editor

Bruce Patterson, 11th District Wayne County Commissioner, foresees three major issues coming before the commission this year: airport expansion, casino gambling and the stadium plans.

"These issues are already attracting a lot of attention, and there will be some controversy over set-aside grants. Minorities, women and small businesses are already vying for their shares of the new downtown construction," said Patterson.

'My personal agenda will be to continue to promote reform in ethics and tighten up the reins on fund raising," the commissioner said. "I will also remain vigilant about any plans to revive the Willow Run Tradeport issue. I am no



longer on the airport oversight committee, and Commissioner Bob Blackwell now heads it, so there may be some change of direction there."

Patterson said he will remain concerned about environmental issues - air quality, injection deep wells and land-

"State statues regulate air quality in 82 of 83 counties, and Wayne County wants to manage its own air quality. Along with that, the county would levy and collect fees. Imagine how much could be collected from fees on air conditioner service and the 800 to 1,000 retail gas stations - there are fumes from the gasoline which are released into the

Patterson said he will also be alert to noise pollution Bruce Patterson problems that plague Romulus, Huron Township, Van Buren Township, Canton and Belleville.

He predicted that during the next year the issue of term limits may be revisited.

Patterson said there will be continued controversy over the state request for audit figures from the Wayne County Road Department and its refusal to provide the figures.

The commissioner would like to see road improvements, and believes there needs to be a new look at what types of road improvements are authorized.

"Now, there are six types of roads authorized by Wayne County. However, there may be new techniques that are structurally stable and could provide a cost savings. We need to look at innovations as possible alternatives.

"People should notify us in

a timely fashion, and, provide

as much information about the

vehicle and driver as possi-

ble," Elden said. "We encour-

Thomas said he has not seen

an increase in the number of

drivers who disregard the

flashing lights on school buses.

Tickets are issued for viola-

tions by the police when they

driver of the vehicle must be identified before we can take

action, if we receive a report

from a particular location, we

"While it is true that the

Wayne Police Lt. Keith

age them to do so."



Profile: Bruce Patterson

Each week MCN puts is spotlight on a newsmaker in Western Wayne County. The subject of this week's profile is 11th District Wayne County Commissioner Bruce Patterson, whose accessibility and responsiveness to his constituents, has made "The Commish" popular in his district.

Who most influenced you? My wife, Phyllis. We will celebrate our 25th anniversary this year. She has provided insight, encouragement, solace, support and love to the "nth" degree.

What is your best quality? My honesty/integrity

What is your worst quality? I tend to be impatient, especially with those who do not try to contribute to a better society. What anger you most? Dishonesty

What is your personal motto? Since I was named after Robert the Bruce, it would have to be "If at first you fail to succeed - try, try again.'

Name your favorite TV show. Crossfire.

Name the last book you read. Currently, I am reading both Primary Colors by Anonymous/Joe Klein and Slouching Towards Gomorrah - Modern Liberalism and American Decline by Robert Bork.

Name the last movie you viewed. Braveheart. After all, William Wallace was a Scotsman. He fought for his country, his people and what he believed in - freedom.

Name your favorite sports team. The Detroit Red Wings Name your favorite pastime. Nearly anything to do with the outdoors. Camping, hiking, photography, hunting and fishing are

all of interest to me. Name your favorite food. Sauteed yellow perch.

Name your least favorite food. Vegetables of nearly every de-

If you could change places with anyone, who would you change

places with? While I'm happy with who and what I am, in the spirit of the question, Benjamin Franklin.

If you retired, what would you do? I'd continue to be active in community service. I just can't sit still and do nothing. There are many needs to be addressed and community service is essential to a better society.

Danger on streets Drivers ignore school bus warning signals

Picture this early morning or mid-afternoon scenario: A school bus stops to load or unload passengers with its signal lights flashing. Cars approach the bus and instead of stopping, they speed past the vehi-

This is an all-too-familiar scene, according to Dorothy Carroll, the mother of three children, including a secondgrade pupil.

"They seem to think that if the children are boarding from the so-called safe side that it is OK to speed past the bus," said Carroll. "They don't seem to think about the possibility of a child darting back across the street for something

There's no shortage of pot-

holes in Western Wayne

he forgot - a book, homework Elden said her department has or lunch box," Carroll said.

"One morning last week, two red lights flashing on Sumpter Road," Carroll said. "It's happened at Five Points (downtown Belleville), too."

Carroll said she sees drivers ignoring school bus flashing lights more and more in recent months.

She said she had taken down the make and license numbers of vehicles which drove past the bus and given them to the bus driver, but was told that without a positive identification of the vehicle driver there was nothing that could be done.

Sumpter Police Sgt. Wanda to know, she noted.

papers is looking for the worst

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cited several drivers for ignoring the flashing lights on cars shot past a bus with its school buses which are taking on passengers.

"We certainly want the public to let us know if these incidents occur and if they have a license number," Elden said. "Even if we don't have enough information to issue a ticket, we can put the person on no-

For example, Elden said, if a complaint is received about a particular vehicle and officers contact the owner, it might be established that a son or daughter was driving the vehicle at that time. This is something that a parent would want

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can watch that area during school hours," Thomas said. Worst potholes in Western Wayne to be listed

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MCN Honors senator, child for accomplishments

Senator draws nominations from across district

By JOAN DYER-ZINNER MCN Ma naging Editor

When the call was issued for 1997 MCN Person of the Year nominations, Senator Loren Bennett (R-Canton) received the nod from several sources — feltow elected officials, educators, business people and citizens.

A letter from 11th District County Commissioner Bruce Patterson sums up the reasons for his selection as Person of the Year, "He (Bennett) is the personification of the term, good public servant — honest, hard working, open, accessible and accountable."

When told of his selection, Bennett said he was "honored."

"I try to be accessible, and I work hard at that because I think it's important to be accessible," the senator said.

"It is also important to me to make sure my home life is handled, and juggling my schedule to do that is a challenge," Bennett said.

Bennett said he believes strongly in parental involvement

"Every night I sit down with my youngest daughter and go over her home work. If I can do that, than I think others can find time to do so. It pays off," said Bennett, noting that math has been a particular challenge for him.

"My whole family shares in this honor, because without them, I couldn't accomplish the things that I do," Bennett said.
"My whole family won this

Bennett is the former clerk for Canton Township, a post to which his wife, Terri, was elected after he won his Senate seat.

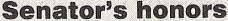
Ida Shelly noted in her nomination letter that Bennett's "continuous involvement and dedication to both local and state issues have been outstanding." She also praised his "100 percent attendance and voting record in the Michigan Senate."

John Adams Middle School Principal Celestine Sanders commended Bennett for "his dedication and support to students" and his visits to offer support by attending music programs, assemblies and Law Day programs at the Westland school.

Attorney Robert Hall, whose specialties include environmental law, wrote that he admired "Senator Bennett's leadership in crafting and sheparding into law two important environmental acts." He added that few who are not professionally involved in this area realize the complexity and political treacherousness facing anyone who would forge sensible and effective environment legislation.

Frankie Middleton of Canton also nominated Bennett for his environmental stance and his support of the Sassafras Trail issue.

Norma Weiser of Wayne



In addition to being named the MCN 1997 Person of the Year, Senator Loren Bennett has received the following honors and recognitions:

 National Federation of Independent Business of Michigan, Guardian, 1996

100 percent attendance and voting record in the

 Michigan Manufacturers Association Award, Rookie of the Year, 1995

Downriver Community Conference, American Eagle
Head Award

 Development
 Development

Bowhay Institute for Legislative Leadership Development,
Fellow 1996



made her nomination based on Bennett's "outstanding work in Lansing on behalf of our citizens in Western Wayne County."

A lifelong Canton resident, Bennett graduated from Belleville High School in 1969. He majored in public administration at Schoolcraft College.

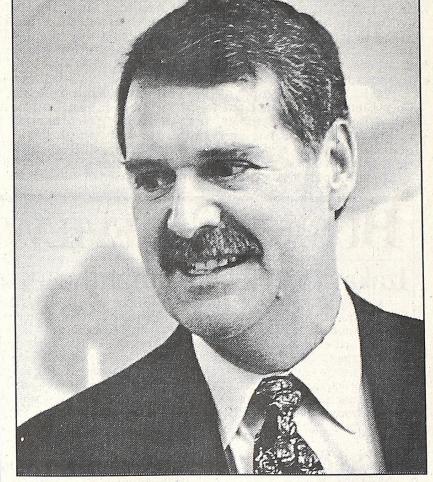
Bennett served as a Canton

Township trustee from 1980 to 1988 before being elected Canton Township clerk. Prior to that time, Bennett was a controller, a real estate company owner and district manager for a petroleum firm.

Currently, he serves as the chair of the Natural Resources and Environmental Affairs Committee, vice chair of the Financial Services Committee and as a member of the Local, Urban and State Affairs Committee.

He is a member of the Midwestern Legislative Council of State Governments and co-chair of its Environmental and Natural Resources Committee and serves on the Michigan Underground Storage Tank Financial Assurance Board. He was a member of the Wayne County Solid Waste Implementation Committee from 1989 to 1992 and was the Canton Township Board representative to the Planning Commission from 1980 to 1988.

Bennett and his wife are the parents of Wendy and Cindy.



Senator Loren Bennett (above), a lifelong Canton resident, is pictured (left) during a Senate Natural Resources and Environmental Affairs Committee meeting in Lansing.

Smith named Young Person of the Year

By LORI GILLESPIE MCN Staff Writer

Stephanie Smith's courage and determination may be a major reason why the Belleville community, and much of Southeastern Michigan, got behind her, raising \$645,000 in just a few months to aid in the battle to help her regain health.

It is definitely the reason *The Michigan Community Newspapers* have chosen to honor Stephanie with a special Young Person of the Year Award.

Stephanie has suffered from a very rare auto-immune disease, which causes her cells to attack her joints, since she was 2-years old. It has resulted in the partial-amputation of her left leg. Chemotherapy seems to keep the disease in check. When Stephanie reached the human limit for the treatment in September 1996, her doctors took her off it. Two weeks later, Stephanie was in intense pain again, and the chemotherapy was begun again.

When Bob Thorne met the 8-year old from Van Buren, she was on his T-ball team. "I put her in the first inning. In the second inning, her father told me her prosthesis was bothering her, and asked if she could take it off," Thorne recalls. "I had no problem with it, I thought she would be using crutches. I stood at first base and looked at home plate. Stephanie had knee pads on, and she batted and ran the bases on her knees. She did it that way all season."

The Smith family, consisting of Stephanie, her mother Debbie, and father Paul, have been through many ups and downs through the years. Towards the end of summer last year, the family hit bottom when they were told there was a procedure which may help Stephanie, but came with a \$500,000 price tag, which insurance wouldn't cover.

Enter Thorne, who, along



Stephanie Smith is pictured in a crown which she won as Mini Miss North America in 1993. Although plagued by illness, Stephanie competed in the contest and participated in many community events during the past several years.

with Ralph Nodwell, formed the Friends of Stephanie Smith Fund Raising Committee. On Oct. 9, a press conference was held to get the information out. They set a deadline of Nov. 13 to reach the goal of \$500,000. The community sprang into action. By Oct. 21, \$140,000 was raised.

"This was an incredible thing," Thorne said of the effort. "I believed all along that the community would do it. I've lived

in Belleville most of my life, so I know what the community is made of. It was very heartwarming to see them respond as generously and as quickly as they did. This has been the best experience in my life at the human level."

Many events were planned for October, November, and into December. Several car washes, ice cream sales, a pancake supper, flower sale, a day-long bene-

fit at a local store, and button sales highlighted the effort. A young girl in Saline, Mich. also got behind the cause, and initiated a fund raiser in Ann Arbor during a University of Michigan football game. Robin Kendall, a fourth-grader at Miller Elementary School in Canton also helped out. After distributing fliers at her school, Kendall stood outside the school cafeteria and collected \$1,400 in donations. Although the deadline had to be extended, by Dec. 2, the community had raised \$538,000, and the money continued to

A team of doctors in the eastern United States began devoting 100 percent of their time researching a treatment specific to Stephanie's needs. It was decided that St. Jude's Hospital in Memphis, Tenn., would perform a stem-cell transplant. The procedure is similar to a bone marrow transplant, although the bone marrow will come from Stephanie, be radiated, and then replaced in her body to regenerate healthy cells.

No date has been set to begin the process, as researchers at St. Jude's continue to work on the protocol. Aside from a bout of bronchitis, Stephanie is reportedly doing well.

"She's chipper as usual,"
Thorne said. "It's amazing how
much she gives back to others.
Her basic attitude towards others is, 'Keep your chin up, things
aren't that bad.' That's what people mean when they say she's a
spirited child."

In Memphis, Stephanie will be treated on an out-patient basis by her pediatrician and the doctors at St. Jude's until all of the cells are harvested, at which time she will be placed in isolation until the process is complete.

"Stephanie is a very special person," Thorne said. "Her spirit drew an entire community together."

Schools of Choice applications available for coming school year

By KIMBERLY WOLOSKIE MCN Staff Writer

Wayne-Westland Community Schools will offer district residents a Schools of Choice program for the 1997-98 school year. The Schools of Choice program provides parents the opportunity to mowe their child from one school to another within the boundaries of the school district provided there is room available in the school. Transportation to and from the school of choice must be provided by the parent

or guardian. Schools of Choice applications for the 1997-98 school year will be available in every Wayne-Westland school by Feb. 7. Schools of Choice applications for middle school and high school students will be accepted in the Pupil Accounting Office at the Board of Education (36745 Marquette, Westland) through March 7.

Stephanie Smith

(above) poses with

her dog. At the left,

Debbie Smith (left)

and her daughter,

Stephanie, sign up

for the Crop Walk

to earn money to

fight hunger and

poverty in the U.S.

and around the

world.

Schools of Choice applications for elementary school students will be accepted in the Pupil Accounting Office between March 17 and April 14.

Applications received according to these time lines will permit, if space is available, select-

A Schools of Choice student will be moved back to his/her home school if an overcrowding situation occurs within the first 10 weeks of the school year.

ed students to begin the 1997-98 school year in their school of choice. If more students apply for a grade/building then there are openings, a random selection process will be used to select students. The names of stu-

dents not selected at this time will be placed on a waiting list. Note, current Schools of Choice students must reapply to remain eligible for the program next

After the deadlines stated

above, Schools of Choice applications will be accepted until Sept. 19, at the school the parent/guardian would like the child to attend. These names will be added to the waiting lists on a first-come, first-served basis. Building principals will use the waiting lists to notify qualified students of an opening. Building principals will be allowed to place Schools of Choice students only until Oct. 10. No Schools of Choice placements will be made

after this date.

A Schools of Choice student will be moved back to his/her home school if an overcrowding

situation occurs within the first 10 weeks of the school year. After 10 weeks, the student will be permitted to remain in the school of choice for the remainder of the school year.

Wayne-Westland's Intra-County Schools of Choice Program allows students from other Wayne County school districts to enroll in the Wayne-Westland Schools. In the 1996-97 school year, 99 students took advantage of this opportunity to attend school in Wayne-Westland instead of their resident school district. More information regarding this program will follow in early spring.

Pastors invited to school breakfast

By AL POST MCN Staff Writer

Romulus pastors will be asked to join school compact leaders for a special sensitivity breakfast on Feb. 22 at Romulus High School.

Phyllis Adkins, principal of Cory Elementary School and School Compact spokesperson, said written invitations and personal contacts are being made this week to get as large a turnout of pastors and laity

workers as possible.

"We realize the school district needs as many positive role models as possible to help our youth today and what better place to seek out those role models than our churches," Adkins said.

The breakfast purposely was set for 9 a.m. on a Saturday so that it would fit into as many ministers and church school leaders as possible, School Compact leaders said.

Adkins revealed that School

leaders should have a number of common goals and "we want to share our vision and needs with them."

Many of our schools are in the center of various city neighborhoods and we want organized groups like churches to know that the school facilities are available for their use also, Adkins said.

Pastors and Sunday School leaders will also be asked to openly praise their youth

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Compact leaders' and church members for successes in the schools, such as when they make the honor rolls and perfect attendance rolls, or when they earn sports or other honors, she said.

The schools also are always looking for mentors for various students, Adkins said, "and once again we feel that the churches are just a natural place to begin our searches."

Further information can be obtained by calling Adkins at

Pet inoculations slated on Feb. 22

Romulus dog owners this year will be able to add a new safety link to their pet's life this month, while getting their animal's anti-rabies and distemper shots.

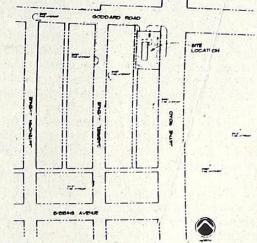
A newly devised personal information microchip can be inserted into the animal's neck, so that it can be identified later if lost, City Animal Shelter Office Kim Matthews said Monday.

The serum and chip injection day is slated for Feb. 22 (from noon to 4 p.m.) at Shook and Bibbins.

Dog licenses can also be purchased at that time: \$5 for one year and \$13 for three years.

CITY OF ROMULUS **PLANNING COMMISSION PUBLIC HEARING**

Please be advised, that the City of Romulus Planning Compaission has scheduled a Public Hearing to be held Tuesday, February 18, 1997 at 7:30 p.m. Prevailing Eastern Time in the Romulus City Hall Council Chambers, 11111 Wayne Road, Romulus, Michigan 4817/4-1485. The purpose of the meeting is to consider PC-004-02-97, a request for special land use approval for an oil change and donut shop in a C-3 (Highway Service) zoned district. The subject property is approximately .478 acres on the southwest corner of Wayne and Goddard Roads, commonly known as 35427 Goddard.



All interested citizens are encouraged to attend and will be given an opportunity to comment on said request. Written comments may be submitted until 12:00 noon, Tuesday, February 18, 1997 and should be addressed to Ardys Bennett, Building, Safety and Engineering Department, 11111 Wayne Road, Romulus, Michigan 48174-1485.

> Linda R. Choate, CMC, Clerk City of Romulus, Michigan

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BUSINESS REVIEW

Izakaya Sanpei Restaurant Authentic Japanese Cuisine

Maybe you can't afford to take a vacation trip to Japan this year. But you can still enjoy delicious, authentic Japanese food. The place to visit for the finest in authentic Japanese cuisine in this area is **Izakaya Sanpei Restaurant**, located in Canton Township in the Coventry Commons Shopping Mall Township at 43327 Joy Road, phone **416-9605**.

Here, you will be treated to all the delightful delicacies of Japan. Their famous Japanese chefs will prepare for you taste-tempting Oriental dishes. They feature sushi, sashimi, sukiyaki, tempura and teriyaki. Enjoy your favorite cocktail or sample a bottle of sake with your meal. They are open for luncheons and dinners. When you visit this fine establishment, you will not only enjoy wonderfully prepared Japanese cuisine, you will experience service that is incomparable.

Their warm pleasant atmosphere, gracious service and delicious Japanese style cooking are sure to please. Remember, for a meal you won't forget, and a restaurant you'll want to return to time and time again, visit Izakaya Sanpei Restaurant. We know you'll be glad you did.

Lukas & Sons Enterprises, Inc. Contact Frank Or Matt Lukas
Sand and gravel is the business of Lukas & Sons Enterprises, Inc., located in Romulus at 28660 Beverly Road, phone

326-2626. These people are fully equipped and qualified to serve you in all of your sand and gravel needs.

Special attention is given to contractors and homeowners alike. This experienced sand and gravel company is known in this area for a reputation of honesty and reliability. You can depend on them to furnish you with materials of the highest quality. Fast, dependable service is their motto. The materials you buy from them will meet the most rigid specifications of

When you are in the market for sand, gravel, fill dirt and bulldozing of the highest quality, be sure to call Lukas & Sons Enterprises, Inc. Their radio-dispatched trucks are expertly maintained and you can depend on them to have the materials you need on the job when you are ready for it. Regardless if your needs are large or small, Lukas & Sons Enterprises, Inc., has the experience and equipment to handle the job. Give them a call soon.

Expert Auto Repair Jeff Straight, Owner

If you want the best in body work for your car or truck, be sure to bring it to Expert Auto Repair, located in Romulus at 7500 Cogswell Road, near 275 and Ecorse, phone 722-1642. They feature the finest in auto body repair as well as fender work, auto glass installation and painting. For miles around, wise motorists have learned to depend on these competent professionals for service on wrecked vehicles. In many cases, they have completely restored damaged cars which the owners thought were beyond the aid of even expert service.

Expert Auto Repair has the proper equipment and necessary experience to repair all makes and models. They are fully equipped to handle all types of frame straightening and are able to repair your car or truck to factory specifications. They also provide expert painting and refinishing which will leave your car looking like new. Whether it is just a scratch, a crumpled fender or a crushed body, they can repair your vehicle in short order.

With auto body repair costs as high as they are today, you owe it to yourself and your car to get the best for less. Remember Expert Auto Repair for expert workmanship, prompt service and reasonable prices.

Romulus Auto Supply The Area's Auto Parts Specialist

When it comes to auto parts, leading mechanics and repair shops in this area rely on Romulus Auto Supply, located in Romulus at 36640 Goddard Road, phone 941-1727, to get the items they need in the shortest time. But what about the people who want to repair their own cars? Well, look no more do-it-yourselfers, this is the parts house for you!

This conveniently located auto parts house is fully stocked so you won't have to make more than one stop to get exactly what you need. They carry parts and equipment for almost every make and model of car or truck on the market today. You won't have any long wait at the counter either because their trained personnel welcomes your business and are anxious to serve you in the most efficient manner.

In stock, they feature name brand auto parts and accessories along with mechanics tools, tune-up kits, filters and top quality oils and lubricants. Every effort is made to have on hand those parts which are most in demand. Any part of unusual item will be gladly special ordered. If you're interested in top quality auto parts, excellent service and discount prices, be sure to visit Romulus Auto Supply.

Midas Auto Systems Experts

If your automobile sounds like an untuned bulldozer, drive over to Midas Auto Systems Experts located in Canton Township at 41580 Ford Road, phone 981-1090, and in Livonia at 30481 Plymouth Road, phone 261-9150. They are your exhaust system, brake system and suspension system experts.

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Auto One Dave Tablac, Owner/Operator

A broken windshield from an accident is not a pleasant situation to live with, however, accidents which result in broken glass are everyday occurrences. When this problem does arise, you should contact professionals and have this situation remedied as quickly, efficiently, and cost effectively as possible.

The people at Auto One, located in Canton at 5815 North Canton Center Road, phone (313) 453-5850, are just the professionals to call. They offer the people of this area fast service in the installation of auto glass for doors or windshields, and they also feature a full line of truck and van accessories professionally installed. You can always feel sure that insurance claims will be properly and promptly handled.

The staff of Auto One are experts when it comes to automobile glass and can answer any questions concerning the various types of glass available for your foreign or domestic car, truck, van or recreational vehicle. You will like doing business with the knowledgeable people at Auto One, and can be assured that their price will be a fair one. All glass installation comes with a written lifetime leak-proof warranty. Remember, when you need the glass replaced in your automobile, call the auto glass experts at Auto One. Their superior service has earned for them a reputation second to none.

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Truck fleet owners in this area know that well maintained trucks are essential so that delays due to repair stops are not a problem. The people at Auto Truck Diesel Equipment Repair, located in Westland at 926 South Newburg, phone 595-3413, realize that your truck is one of the most important and expensive tools you own. Modern trucks are built to last, but that doesn't mean that periodic servicing should be forgotten or ignored.

Auto Truck Diesel Equipment Repair specializes in preventive maintenance and all types of repairs and service for truck fleet owners. Their services also include injection pump service for all diesel engines. The have many years of maintenance experience on tractors, bulldozers, forklifts, and light and medium duty trucks and automobiles with diesel engines. They keep a large inventory of parts in stock in order to serve you quickly and economically. Their experienced mechanics can keep your investment in top running condition and can advise you on important maintenance procedures that will help prevent costly breakdowns. They believe in personal service and they are fully insured for your protection.

For expert preventive maintenance and repair services, truck fleet owners can confidently depend on Auto Truck Diesel Equipment Repair. Their prompt, reliable work is your assurance of satisfaction enabling you to "keep on trucking."

Guys & Gals Nu-Yu Louise Leonard, Owner

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& Gals Nu-Yu makes total beauty as easy as one phone call. Gift certificates are available for all occasions, and of course, Valentine's Day is less than one month away. They are located in Belleville at 875 Sumpter Road, and appointments can be made by calling (313) 697-0065. For an experience in excellence, treat yourself and take that first step to a more beautiful you.

CITY OF ROMULUS MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE ROMULUS CITY COUNCIL **HELD JANUARY 13, 1997**

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Chairman Pro Tem, William Wadsworth Present: Collins, Crova, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth

Absent: None

Excused: Gear, Raspberry

Administrative Officials in Attendance:

William Oakley, Mayor

Linda R. Choate, CMC, Clerk

Motion by Prybyla, supported by Romak to approve the agenda as presented.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Collins, Crova, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

2A. Motion by Romak, supported by Collins to approve the minutes of the Romulus City Council held January 6, 1997 as presented. Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Collins, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Abstain - Crova. Motion Carried.

3A. Motion by Romak, supported by Crova to approve the request from Ahmad Shihadeh for a new SDD Resort License with Sunday sales permit at 9512 Inkster to be held in conjunction with existing 96 SDM licensed business.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Collins, Crova, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously. 3B. Motion by Prybyla, supported by Romak to add Sylvia Perecki as partner in 1995 Class C licensed business with

Dance Permit, located at 37452 Huron River Drive. Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Collins, Crova, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously. 97-012

3C. Motion by Crova, supported by Romak to table the request by Merna, Inc. to transfer ownership of 1996 SDD-SDM licensed business from Shamil, Inc. located at 8284 Wayne Road. Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Collins, Crova, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth, Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

97-013 3D1. Motion by Crova, supported by Collins to move the request from United Parcel Service for New Aircraft Liquor License to the bottom of the agenda to give petitioner additional time to arrive.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Collins, Crova, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously. 3E. Motion by Prybyla, supported by Romak to approve the transfer ownership of 1996 B Hotel licensed business located at 9501 Middlebelt Road from Motels of America, Inc. to Airport Lodges, Inc.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Collins, Crova, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously. 3F. Motion by Crova, supported by Collins to table the request from Bedor Food Services, Inc. for a new Full Year Class C

license to be located at Detroit Metropolitan Airport, International Terminal, 3rd Floor Lounge. Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Collins, Crova, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

4A. Motion by Romak, supported by Crova to acknowledge the births of Alexis Nicole Paige, daughter of Patrick and Stacy Paige, and Sarah Jean Wadsworth, granddaughter of Councilman William Wadsworth. Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Collins, Crova, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

97-017 4B. Motion by Crova, supported by Romak to adopt a resolution for Barbara Schultz, Assistant Senior Coordinator for her seventeen years of service to the City of Romulus.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Collins, Crova, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously. 4. Motion by Romak, supported by Crova to accept the Chairperson's Report. Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Collins, Crova, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

3D. Motion by Romak, supported by Collins to approve the request from United Parcel Service Company for five (5) new Aircraft license to be located at Detroit Metropolitan Airport.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Collins, Crova, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously. 97-019 5A. Motion by Crova, supported by Collins to authorize the purchase of ten Police Cars through the State Bid and to grant authorization to let bids for Labor and Equipment to cover equipment changeovers for the police cars.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Collins, Crova, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously. 5B. Motion by Prybyla, supported by Romak to award Bid 96-43 for Overhead Doors for Fire Station #3 to the only

bidder, Crawford Door Sales of Ypsilanti, Inc. in the amount of \$2,390.00. Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Collins, Crova, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously. 97-021

5C. Motion by Romak, supported by Crova to introduce an amendment to Chapter 20, Article V, Section 20-119 of the Romulus City Code of Ordinances entitled Offenses Against Public Peace to provide for noise control of motor vehicle electronically amplified sound systems and to provide for penalties for violation thereof.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Collins, Crova, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously. 97-022 5D. Motion by Crova, supported by Collins to reappoint John Roundtree and appoint Kathy Lindroth to the Property

Disposition Committee with terms to expire on January 25, 2000. Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Collins, Crova, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

5. Motion by Romak, supported by Crova to accept the Mayor's Report. Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Collins, Crova, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimovisly. 97-023

11. Motion by Prybyla, supported by Romak to authorize the payment of Warrant #97-01 in the grand total amount of Two Hundred Twenty Three Thousand, Six Hundred and Twenty Three Dollars and Fifty Three Cents (\$223,623.53). Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Collins, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Abstain - Crova. Motion Carried Unanimously.

12. Motion by Crova, supported by Romak to adjourn the regular meeting of the Romulus City Council Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Collins, Crova, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously. Respectfully submitted,

Linda R. Choate, CMC, Clerk

City of Romulus, Michigan

I, Linda R. Choate, CMC, Clerk for the City of Romulus, Michigan do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true copy of the minutes of the regular meeting of the Romulus City Council held January 13, 1997.

> Linda R. Choate, CMC, Clerk City of Romulus, Michigan

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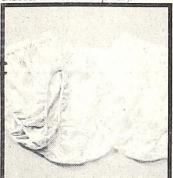
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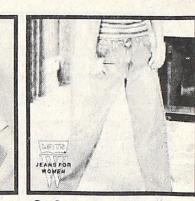
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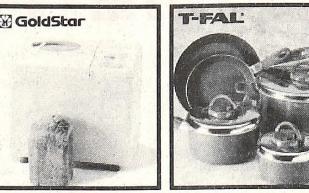


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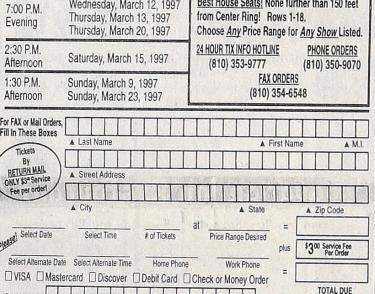
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By LORI GILLESPIE MCN Staff Writer

Connie Covington always made sure her only child knew what was going on in the world.

"I remember, around New Year's, we would take the train from Mount Vernon to Times Square to see what was going on," Chuck Covington said. "We didn't stay to see the ball drop, because it was too crazy with all of those people down there. She just wanted to make sure I knew what was happening. While we were in the city. we would go to the Empire State Building. We would go around and around the block, trying to find the scratch on the building that the airplane made when King Kong threw it

Covington is now the CEO of People's American Express Travel in Belleville, the largest minority-owned travel agency in the state. He credits his mother as playing a major role in his achieving success.

"Many minority companies have to deal with limited access to capital to start a business," Covington said. "I had access to mom. She always worked on dad to let me borrow the money to finance the start of my business."

Although his father has passed away, Covington will be

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able to honor his mother in a "Salute to the Parents of Famous African Americans." On March 5, at the International Banquet Center in Greektown, the Lewis College of Business will host this annual event. The college is the only historically black college or univer-

"Our event is unique in that we honor the parents of those African- Americans who have achieved success and given back to their community," stated Marjorie Harris, Ph.D., president of the college. "We know that their children are often publicly recognized but rarely are their parents. Often the parents have made sacrifices that placed or pointed their child on the path to suc-

Growing up in New York, with a father employed as an hourly employee at General Motors, and a mother who was a nurse, Covington said there was not an endless cash flow at their home.

"They gave it anyway. And now, I am able to return some of it," he said. "In life, you find that you can't return everything that they've done for you, so you try to do the same for your own children.'

Covington's mother, now 77, finds enjoyment taking care of her two granddaughters. "It's great that the link is there bet-

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Chuck Covington

ween the girls and mom," he said. "Especially since I am divorced. My mom gives the girls an overview on life and on being black women that I am not able to give. Even though they say she worries too much, they love spending time with her."

The award will also be given to the parents of Ed Gordon, from NBC; Helen Love, Ford Motor Company community relations director; A.J. Jemison, Fairlane operation manager; attorney Cornelius Pitts; and attorney Johnnie Co-

Covington said his mother didn't have much to say about the recognition. "She said, 'That's nice Charles.' You don't get to impress your parents very often," he said.
The CEO of People's Ameri-

can Express Travel remembers his mother as being more of a talker and encourager as he was growing up. Covington attributed that to the way society viewed the roles of mothers and fathers at that time. He said fathers were the enforcers, and mothers were the nuturers.

'No matter what you do in life, or how many things change," he said, "when you go to mom's house, you're still the

With this award, Covington says, he will be able to give his mother something which money can't buy.

'When birthdays, Christmas, or Mother's Day rolls around, what can you give your parent? If you buy them a gift, it's something that they could go out and get for themselves. How special can it be?" he asks. "This is recognition from other people that money can't buy. Through me, she's getting the recognition she de-

serves.

Covington, as owner and founder of the largest minority-owned travel agency in the state, has earned many honors for his accomplishments. A few years ago, Covington was dubbed the "\$6 Million Man" in recognition of his annual sales, but today, he would have to be renamed the "\$9 or \$10 Million Man" - more accurate, but not as catchy a title.

In 1996, the Detroit City Council presented him with a testimonial resolution which stated, "His persistence and strong work ethic have made People's Travel one of the most respected travel agencies in the Midwestern United States. The Detroit City Council hereby salutes Chuck Covington for excellence in business and community affairs. We wish him continued success with People's Travel and his future endeavors."

Local girl competes

Robyn Roots, 10, daughter of Pamela Roots, recently won the title of Miss Junior Garden City and will be competing for the Miss Junior Michigan on Feb. 8 and 9 at the Novi Hilton.

The winner of the state title will travel to New York in July to compete for the national ti-

Robyn is a member of girls junoir varsity basketball team at Memorial Elementary School and enjoys swimming, rollerskating and singing in the church choir.

She is a former Inkster resident. Her sponsors are her mother and James Jordan.



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DCC, CWW collaborate

2 groups plan cooperation, unity in '97

By JOAN DYER-ZINNER MCN Managing Editor

With many Western Wayne County officials in attendance at the 19th annual Downriver Community Conference, the new DCC Chair Curt Boller called for more cooperation and unity with the 18-member Conference of Western Wayne.

Wayne Mayor Kenneth Warfield, Canton Township Supervisor Tom Yack and Van Buren Supervisor Helen Foster were among those present, as well as many Wayne County officials.

Boller, supervisor of Brownstown Township, promised that the DCC would make its voice heard on the subject of regional taxes - "before the fact, not after it." He said the DCC would express the views of its members on such issues as the east-west corridor, gasoline taxes, juvenile justice and home rule.

"There is success in cooperation." said Boller.

Outgoing Chair Norma Wurmlinger, mayor of Southgage, some of the DCC programs including the donation of cars to those in need of transportation, donating computers and computer part

to area schools, providing clothing for needy women reentering the job market, and a Bottles to Benches recycling project. The DCC has also addressed the needs of some 1,350 laid-off steel workers and provided employment training and re-training.

Wurmlinger credited DCC Executive Director James Jones with being the "driving force" of leadership for the conference.

Congressman John Dingell congratulated the DCC on the accomplishments of the past 19 years. He also extended an "olive branch" to Wyandotte Mayor James DeSana who opposed him in the last election.

Dingell said the campaign had been a vigorous one and it was time to put the debates behind them and work together.

Leading the DCC for 1997 are Boller; Thomas Bonner of Taylor, vice chair; Kenneth Ford of Allen Park, secretary, Scott Denison of Gibraltar, treasurer and Norma Wurmlinger, past chair. Serving on the board of directors is Romulus Mayor William Oakley, whose community holds memberships in both the DCC and CWW.









Representing Ford Motor Co., Woodhaven at the DCC event were Frank and Nancy Drabik (above). Goldie and Mayor Ken Warfield and County Clerk Theola Hunter (top right); WCCC board president Ted Scott, Westland Councilwoman Sharon Scott and Tony Shannon of the Wayne County Sheriff's Department (center right), and Senator Loren Bennett, Bob Bovitz of the Downriver Chamber and Phyllis and County Commissioner Bruce Patterson (bottom right) were among the area representatives attending. MCN photo by Joan Dyer-

Guests embark on mystery train ride

A Mystery Train ride and dinner is slated to raise funds to help fund GOGIRLS, a program for "at risk" girls from

Detroit and Inkster. At 7 p.m. March 13, Giving Our Girls Incentive for Real Life Situations (GOGIRLS), a mentoring organization, will host a fund raiser aboard the Michigan Star Clipper. Participants will savor a five-course meal while deciphering clues

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in a mystery which will be performed in 15 minute segments throughout the three-hour

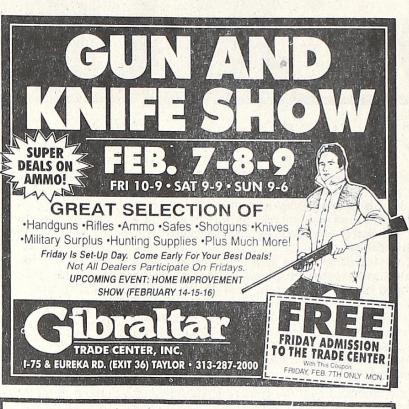
"Working with girls is challenging -- working with girls without money is over-whelmingly difficult," said Cynthia Johnson, GOGIRLS executive director.

The statistics of teen pregnancies and increases in female youth violence demonstrates the need for positive interventions focusing on girls. GOGIRLS was created to provide much needed intervention and support for young women, 11 to 19, in Inkster and Detroit.

Founded in 1995 by Dorothy Chambers and Cynthia Johnson, GOGIRLS is a non-profit organization supported by Black United Fund. Services are currently provided at Inkster Public Housing and other

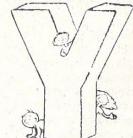
In addition to funds, volunteers are needed. Those interested in serving as mentors may call Cynthia Johnson at

467-6132. Individuals interested in attending the Mystery Train fund-raising event may call the same number.



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County, Romulus tiff accelerates

Michigan has long been known for having serious problems with its roadways. If you have any doubts ride along Michigan Avenue for eight to 10 miles and then visit your local dentist and have him check the condition of your most recently installed fillings.

Now the Metro area may make history, as it could have serious problems with a highly acclaimed "bridge" before the first chunk of steel has even been put in place for the span that reportedly will transport Americans to the 21st century.

Ironically the Christmas season has just been concluded and Romulus residents saw nothing resembling "A Gift of the Magi" taking place in citycounty relations.

City officials nixed the rumor (despite the outward appearance) that Wayne County Executive Ed McNamara gave the maximum gift—a lock of his hair—to sacrificially purchase a watch fob for Romulus Mayor William Oakley (a la the O'Henry

Now the 1997 political year is racing toward Valentine's Day and with it an enhancement of the city-county's "love-hate relationship."

Most are sure that no bouquets of flowers, bottles of wine or heart-shaped boxes of chocolates are to be exchanged by the two political leaders.

Knowing the trusting nature of both men they probably also will shy away from accepting any invitations to visit inner-city garages on Feb. 14.

At best some will say one or both may receive a tongue-in-cheek "wish you were here" note from the other, but even that is doubtful.

But if early evidence holds up, lawyers' bank accounts will undoubtedly grow as will the cost of the Detroit Metro Airport midfield terminal.

This writer agrees that it is time for Romulus to draw a line in the sand (although this time a year it looks more like salt) or be prepared to become simply a massive 26-square mile parking lot for Metro Airport.



Many persons throughout Wayne County have the mistaken idea that Romulus city coffers are greatly enhanced by the constant gobbling up of valuable Romulus real estate by Wayne County and Metro Airport.

Scoffers say the only thing Metro Airport drops on the city of Romulus is fuel and restroom residue from jet planes taking off or landing in the heart of

"Heck politicians even have stolen our name," some Romulus-firsters complain "as when foreign nationals step off Northwest planes here they are welcomed to Detroit. It's like Romulus doesn't ex-

Now if as predicted the number of flight increases materialize by the year 2000, the best replacement business for the Kelsey-Hayes facility may be a Romulus made umbrella factory.

But Oakley, State Sen. Loren Bennett and Wayne County Commissioner Bruce Patterson gathered this past Monday to come up with some options for Romulus.

One plan reported already rejected was for calling upon a small tribe of Native Americans (supposedly awaiting the possible opening of a casino in Romulus) to donate a "world class" peace pipe to the McNamara-Oakley summit.

Legislators agenda protects Medicaid, pensions

By Eileen DeHart **Guest Columnist**

An agenda that ensures Medicaid for Michigan residents who need it to pay for health care, and provisions to make pension funds portable for employees recently was unveiled at the Capitol by the House Democrats.

We are entering an era where the federal government is considering the concept of turning over many of its programs to the states to manage, such as Medicaid. House Democrats are concerned that the senior citizens who need Medicaid to pay for health care and nursing home costs do not get lost in the shuffle or denied care.

The cornerstone of our senior citizens' agenda is the House Democrats guarantee that Medicaid coverage be available to senior citizens who need it to pay for their health care and nursing costs. I strongly feel that our senior citizens have been paying into the system for these programs for more than 30 years with the promise that those funds would be there during their retirement years. It is our duty as legislators to honor that investment.

As Medicaid becomes paired with managed health care plans, House Democrats will introduce legislation to allow senior citizens to keep their family doctor for at least a year while they "shop around" for a physician who is within the managed care plan. We will also introduce legislation to create a Medicaid Ombudsman Office to assist recipients with physician referrals and grievances. This will help assure quality in managed care.

As chair of the House Retirement Committee, on of the issues I will be studying closely with my committee is pension portability and simplification. We will be passing measures to urge Congress to make pensions portable — meaning employees can take them from job to job. We will also be urging Congress to make it easier for small businesses to establish pension plans for their employees. These two priorities — making pensions portable and making them easier for small businesses to establish — will help many Michigan residents retire in comfort and security.

Other senior citizens issues on the House Democratic agenda include careful deregulation of the

Certificate of Need program for nursing home facilities. Recent statistics show that the number of nursing home beds does not meet the demand, and that many facilities have waiting lists. About 13 percent of Michigan's population is over the age of 70. By deregulating the CON program, we can construct and open more facilities without sacrificing the quality of care that residents now receive. If we allow the nursing home market to open up by building more licensed facilities, costs will likely remain down, waiting lists will shrink and more seniors will be served.

House Democrats will introduce legislation to set the spousal impoverishment level at the maximum allowed by state law. This helps seniors who have a spouse in a nursing home from losing their already scarce financial resources. Under the bill, the minimum monthly personal needs allowance will be set at \$1,500 a month, and the money could not be counted as an asset when considering payment for the costs of a spouse in a nursing home.

And finally, a package of bills designed to protect senior citizen housing also will be part of the agenda to make retirement more secure. We will introduce legislation to allow seniors to defer property tax payments. The legislation would allow seniors to defer payments on their property taxes on their primary residence, allowing them to continue living in their home. The state would later collect the taxes owed on the home when the person's estate is settled after their death.

The House Democratic agenda for seniors is a part of our comprehensive plan to help Michigan families build a secure future. We will be working hard to pass major parts of our agenda. Voters in November sent a signal that they wanted balance in government, and they want us to work together in a bipartisan manner to solve problems. We hope the Senate Republicans and the Governor will work with us to help improve the lives of Michigan working families and senior citizens.

Editor's note: State Representative Eileen DeHart (D-Westland) is chair of the House Committee on Retirement. Guest columns will be submitted in the future by DeHart.

Musicians complimented

To the editor.

The Belleville Area Chamber of Commerce was pleased to participate in the recent annual recognition of the Van Buren Board of Education.

As president of the Chamber, I was proud to present framed certificates of appreciation to the school board members and recognize their commitment to the students, parents, staff and citizens of the tri-community area

Prior to the dinner we were entertained by some very talented 7th and 8th grade students who performed classical and contemporary selections on a multitude of instruments. This was a very classy prelude to a great dinner and excellent company. My compliments to the students on an outstanding performance and to their instructor Shelly Rouse-Freitag on a job

My thanks to Superintendent James Richendollar and Deb Havens for putting together a wonderful recognition event for the school board members and a great ensemble of student musicians from North Middle School. Bravo!!

Chesley J. Odom, President

Help young people

To the editor:

I am concerned about our young people of today, because without a good education what kind of future do they have besides drugs and a life of crime?

We must try to give our young people the best education there is! For we must never give up on any young person; but, cheer them on because they are our future of today and we must give them the chance and opportunity that some of us never had. We should encourage them always

FOOTNOTES: Who is your Valentine --- a friend, relative or someone special?

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and never put them down.

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I feel that, if you continue to put a person down and never say anything encouraging, it can sometimes have something to do with a person turning to drugs and crime. Instead of trying to help them destroy themselves we must help our young people.

I feel that the community and society should come together and help our young people with a better way of life.

Inkster Editor's note: Name withheld by request is house a sales ybes

Therapy revealed

To the editor: Thank you for your article,

"Ray of hope brightens future which appeared in the Michigan Community Newspapers on Jan. 23. We, as the focus of the article, appreciate the coverage of this hope that is out there for those who suffer from Down syndrome. Our hope is that not only will parents of children with Down syndrome benefit by having this information, but others, who are not directly affected, will understand a bit more about this whole thing. Again, we appreciate the coverage; however, there were a few items in the article that warrant further explanation and/or correction.

The article spoke of a Los Angeles woman who was successful in treating her 2-yearold daughter with nutritional therapy. Your readers might be interested to know that this is the same woman who was featured on Ted Koppel's Nightline show on Dec. 20. Her name is Dixie Lawrence and she was the one who helped formulate the nutritional supplements that have been popping up in the news lately. Her daughter,

Madison, who has Down syndrome, is now 6 years old and is doing well in a regular kindergarten class. And for us, with our nearly one year old baby Steven who also has Down syndrome, that's something worth noticing and cheering about!

The inset which describes The Phoenix, the fund-raiser book, says, "The mission of the group is to raise funds for research of Trisomy 21 (the blend of nutrients and amino acids which is being given to Downs Syndrome children)." Actually, Trisomy 21 is a medical term which is synonymous with Down syndrome. The blend of nutrients and amino acids are the focus of the therapy known as Targeted Nutritional Intervention.

Thank you for writing about our efforts to raise funds for research in this important area. With heightened awareness and money for research, so many could be helped. There are nearly half a million people in the United States affected by Down syndrome. They desperately need our attention and your paper has helped in getting the word out. Thank you.

Ron and Karen Meier, Plymouth

Child located

To the editor:

Thank you for assisting the National Center in the search for missing children. The distribution of missing children's photographs is an important step towards the recovery of these children. One in seven children is recovered as a result of someone recognizing the child's photo and alerting authorities.

Due to everyone's effort and support, the Center is pleased to inform you that Karen Lofland has been located.

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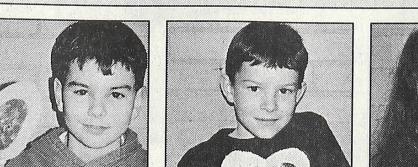
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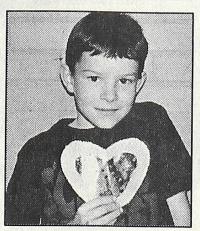
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Alex Hudson

A friend I moved away from and haven't seen since.



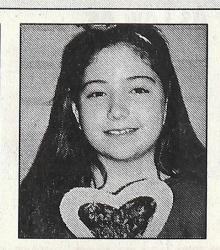
Ron Creamer

My friend, Darrick. We have not seen each other in a long time.



Jennifer Glenn

My brother because we've been fighting a lot.



Kristin Goldring Grandpa. I only get to see him once a month.

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Noise committee chairmen named

The names of the chairmen of the various committees involved in the Steering Committee on Noise Abatement in Huron Township and Romulus were revealed last

Melissa McLaughlin, coordinator of the citizens group, released the names of the following New Boston residents and their committees: Isiah Odom, committee on technical expertise; Colleen Modzelewski, publicity committee; Lyle Salsbury, environmental committee; David Glaab, research committee; and Mary Lou Carey, ways and means committee.

The committee was organized following the Oct. 24 meeting at Huron High School called by Wayne County Commissioner Bruce Patterson.

Patterson said he urged that citizens play a vital role in the committee's planning and activity cycles, since politicians (including myself) have their own agendas and thus to be successful the committee must retain citizen control."

The committee is made up of Romulus and Huron Township residents (and other nearby persons) concerned about the noise issues created by aircraft entering and leaving Detroit Metro Airport.

Mad Bomber gets July 4th contract

For the third straight year the Romulus City Council has awarded its Fourth of July fireworks display contract to the Mad Bomber Fireworks Production Inc. of River Rouge.

Recreation Director Debbie Dick revealed several bids were turned in for the exact same amount of \$8,000. but the Mad Bomber "has done the fireworks show for the past two years and is familiar with our set- up."

Part of Avalon alley vacated

The Romulus City Council voted 7-0 last week to vacate a portion of Avaion alley abutting Lots 21 and 22 in the Ecorse Community Subdivi-

The vacate request was submitted by Catherine Larson back in 1989. She paid \$200 a year later for the city fee and in 1992 submitted her petition with local signatures of adjoining property owners.

Former Romulus Department of Public Works Director James Panos had urged denial of the request, but current DPW Director David Paul re- evaluated the request and urged approval.

Commissioner marks 50th birthday

On Friday (Feb. 7), Wayne County Commissioner Bruce Patterson celebrates his 50th birthday.

His constituents can extend "happy birthday" greetings as he makes the rounds of his district.

Reappointments made to board

Lloyd Solarz, Helen Tomlin and David Williams have been reappointed to

the Wayne Board of Review. The board will meet March 14, 17 and 18 to hear assessment valuation appeals, poverty reduction requests and "homestead" exemption appeals. On March 26, final decisions will be made.

Public hearing slated on grants

A public hearing has been scheduled for Feb. 18 to determine how Wayne will use its 1997 Communty Development Block Grant program funds.

The city is expected to receive between \$85,000 and \$100,000 for use in the CDBG program.

Student seeks letters

To the editor: Hi, my name is Kris Wray. I am on a traveling soccer team for the Clover Desperados. I am in the fifth grade at Red Bank Elementary School in Cloris, which is in California. I am writing to you because I would like some information

on Michigan. I would like some postcards, maybe your state flag, and some information from a computer or a book. I would like it if you would put this letter into your newspaper.

Kris Wray 2033 Jhorhua Cloris, Ca. 93611

Editor's note: This is an opportunity for a young Western Wayne County soccer player to find a California pen pal.

Parking lot criticized

To the editor: On Jan. 22, 1997 the Planning Commission held an open forum to listen to the concerns of the citizens of Romulus, pertaining to a proposed 6,000 vehicle parking lot. There were several letters and residents opposed to this type of business at this forum, myself included

I was under the impression that Romulus has a moratorium on parking lots, however several Planning Commissioners do not recognize the moratorium and would rather sell the city for a "quick buck" in tax revenue. What is the objective of this city, to make a quick buck or entice residential base, because without residents you won't have a government!

Council, please stop and take notice of the area where existing parking lots are at the present time. Do you really think people are going to want to live around a 6,000 vehicle parking lot. This will be 65 acres of black top...or more parking than what is available of Fairlane Shopping Mall. The residential area that already exists around the parking lots now, are so rundown that these people would do anything to be bought out, and move out of Romulus.

It should also be mentioned that the Planning Department Director indicated, at the Jan. 1997 meeting, that the developer could ignore the landscape ordinance, which requires six percent of the property to be landscaped. He felt that 26 trees already on the property for this 65-acre black top lot was adequate!

Why is Romulus being so passive with city ordinances? Why do department heads feel they have the power to override any city ordinance? What is going on? Do we have a city for the people or do we have a city for business?

Look around city council! See what direction this city is headed in, there are strip bars, liquor stores, a toxic waste dump waiting in the wings and a 6,000 vehicle parking lot with many more parking lots wanting to open. This type of development will not attract middle and upper income people to Romulus which I feel create investment and produce a sound tax base. Actually it doesn't attract anyone, except transients which only rent in these below standard housing areas, which you will be creating.

As elected officials of this community, the citizens need you to lead and monitor the non-resident department heads and resident department heads of this city, which I feel are jeopardizing the future and investments of its' residents. And if your views are the same as some of the department heads there will be no future for Romulus. Please show the public where you stand on these issues. This is an election year and we need a strong governing body, which will lead not be dictated to or deviate from how the ordinances are written and en-

forced in Romulus. Is this city that desperate for development that it is willing to sacrifice appearance and residents for this type of business? What about your moratorium? Or is this just a political ploy known as "smoke and mirrors?" Do you really care about this community? Don't you want your legacy to be that you molded Romulus

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into one of the finest cities in Michigan, or the "biggest parking lot.

What about the residents that live here now and that have been living here? These businesses only operate in Romulus, the owners and employees will be living in another community! city council members I urge you to really make it known that Romulus is just not the bottom of the barrel and your loyalty is to its citizens and just not to the quick buck business that can be made from its land.

You must also remember that once the southern end of the airport is completed, that these same businesses will be back wanting to expand and operate in this area, which will create a city of parking lots with an airport in the middle and poverty surround it it. Is this what you want to leave your children?

Leo L. Knasiak Romulus

Is crash coming?

To the editor:

1929! The very mention of 1929 is terrifying to investors and non-investors alike. But, do the climactic events of 1929 have any relevance for us today? Probably not. At least not

However, I do think we should be looking at the years 1928 and 1928. Here's why.

In 1927, the European econ-

omies were stagnating badly. As a consequence, foreign money began pouring into the U.S. financial markets in

search of higher yields. To combat this influx of foreign capital, the U.S. Federal Reserve lowered interest rates hoping to make our financial markets less attractive to foreigners. The hope was that if European money "stayed home", European central banks would not have to raise interest rates to retain capital.

A rise in European interest rates would only deepen the economic "funk" in Europe.

As a result of the 1927 interest rate cuts - the so-called "Coolidge easy money" - U.S. stock market 'speculation' soared. Finally, in 1928 the Federal Reserve became alarmed - and reversed coarse. The Fed raised interest rates practically every month in

Because of all the borrowed money in the markets at that time, stocks finally collapsed in 1929. So, blame the Fed for the Crash of '29.

But what about today? Will Fed Chairman Alan Greenspan heed the lessons of history? What should he do?

Today, as in 1927, the American stock market is booming. Europe has stagnated, and Japan is down-right depressed. Foreign interest rates are falling, not rising, and Japanese interest rates are near zero! Foreigners seem to be deliberately "trashing" their curren-

In effect, everyone is trying desperately to devalue their currency in hopes of gaining a competitive global trade advantage. But will this work? Answer: Probably not.

You can not devalue your way to eternal prosperity. And, remember the American public is no longer the "great engine" driving global consumption as in the past. Years of "downsizing" have taken their toll. Over-capacity and over-production loom on the horizon like a giant tidal wave, threatening to swamp the "global economy."

Furthermore, repeated and deliberate devaluation of a nation's currency eventually leads to inflation and ultimately to the collapse of national financial markets - as Japan is now painfully discovering.

So, what will Chairman Greenspan do? Probably nothing. Greenspan will be damned if he does and damned if he doesn't raise interest rates. If he repeats the mistake of 1927,he throws gasoline on the raging fires of speculation. If he repeats the mistake of 1928, he risks being blamed for causing the collapse of Wall Street's "bubble."

Eventually, foreigners will see that their "competitive devaluations" are only making mattes worse, and will begin to repatriate their money to support their own markets and economies. Also, they will begin to fear that the American markets are becoming a dangerous "speculative bubble."

In the end, we will realize that speculative financial "bubbles" can not be "saved", and do not deserve to be saved.

They are the product of human greed and gullibility. Our grandfathers learned this in 1929. Soon this generation will re-learn the lessons of 1929. Could 1997 be heading for the history books as a great turning point in economic history? It's happen before! 1929!

Walter Warren Westland

Shocking crime

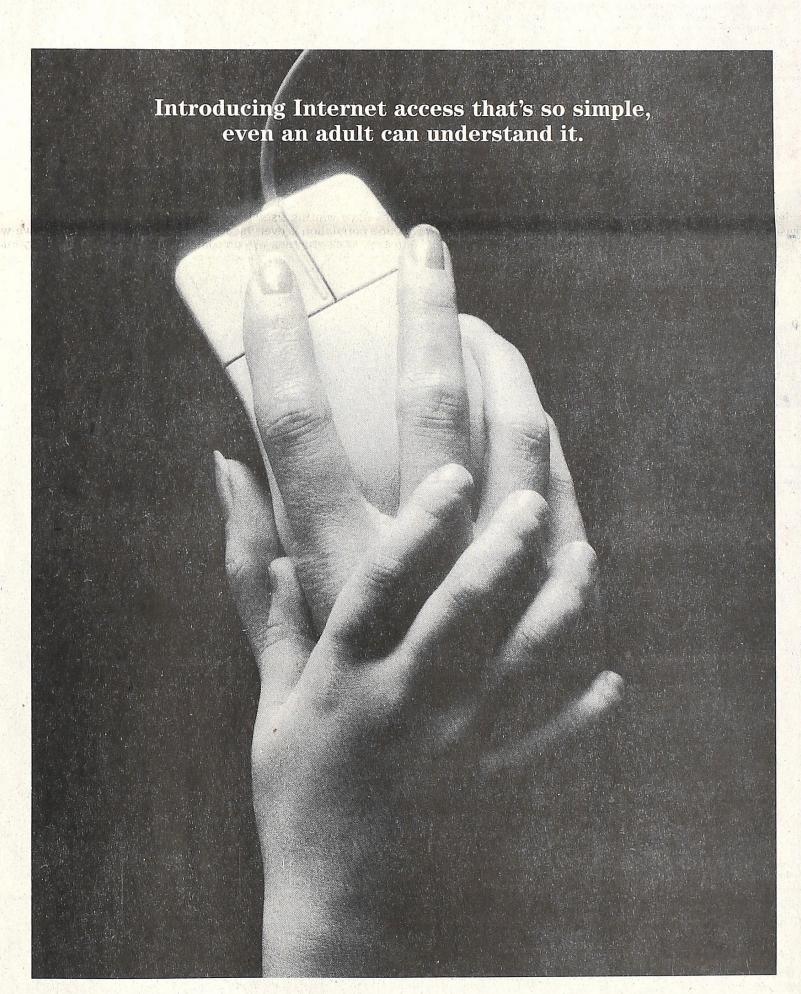
To the editor:

Shawn Turner was a young Black brother who lived in Inkster but was killed in Detroit. I don't know what the reason or why he was killed. the cruel way he died - no one should have to die like that at

Whoever killed Shawn didn't have to beat his head in. He was taken to a nearby garage where his clothes were taken off and then he was hung. I hope whoever did this hateful crime won't be able to rest and just maybe turn themself or themselves in! How would you feel if you were did the same way Shawn Turner

What's wrong with our people of today, acting like wild animals going around killing each other? We must take pride in ourselves and each other! Because we must maintain our dignity and self respect for each others lives.

V.L.F of Inkster Editor's note: The writer's name was withheld by request.



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Keep your roses alive

It is expected that 94.8 million roses will be sent by friends and lovers across the country on Friday.

As a rule, fresh-cut roses should last from five to seven days if handled properly from harvest to the home of the re-

When you select roses, look for blooms that are firm to the touch and have rich green foliage that is free from damage.

Roses, when first delivered by the florist, should be checked to make sure the container is fulled with water. If you need to add water to the vase, you may find that your florist has provided a packet of flower food to be mixed with the water.

Place your roses in a location away from drafts, direct sun or heat sources. Keeping them as cool (not freezing) as possible can add several days to the life of your rose bou-

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Third-graders at Madison Elementary School made cards and crafts for Valentine's Day.MCN photo by Kimberly Woloskie

Madison students 'love' Valentines

Linda Rose's third grade class was struck by Cupid's creative arrow as they affectionately designed romantic heart-shaped treasures for the store front of a local business.

Rose said she was admiring student art work on a recent visit to My Lady Florist in Westland when she mentioned to the manager she'd like her students to have the same opportunity. Manager Pam Prough said she would be happy to display the children's crafts in the front window of the shop during the Valentine's Day hol-

Prough and owner Law-W rence Derderian were smitten by the artsy mementos and returned the affection by sur-> prising the students with an ice cream float party.

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Valentines have long history

Young Roman men sent handwritten greetings of affection on Feb. 14 -- a practice hat eventually acquired St. Valentine's name.

The earliest card was reportedly sent by Duke Charles of Orleans to his wife in 1415.

Although an attempt was made to halt the practice of sending valentines in the 16th century, the cards proliferated. By the 17th century, handmade cards were oversized an elaborate. Storebought versions, however, were smaller and more costly.

The first American publisher and printer of valentines was artist Esther Howland. Her elaborate lace cards cost from \$5 to \$10, and some sold for as much as \$35.

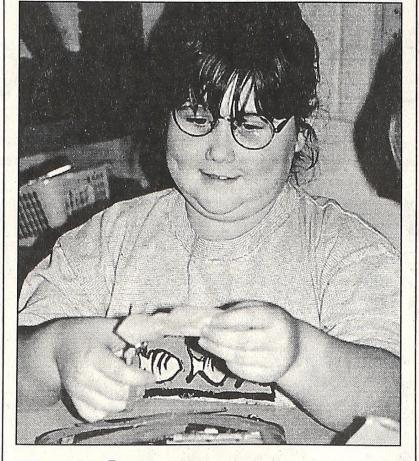
With the exception of Christmas cards, Americans exchange more cards on Valentine's Day than on any other holiday.

Symbols on valentines include:

Hearts, the symbol of love

and affection Cupids, the cherub armed with arrows dipped in love potion. In Roman mythology, Cupid was the son of Venus,

goddess of love and beauty. XXX, which today means "kisses," was originally the symbol of a sworn oath. In the days when only a few people were literate, the "X" was used in place of a signature. To emphasize their complete sincerity, writers kissed the symbol, thus making the "X" a symbol of a kiss.



Be mine

Madison Elementary School third grader, Holly Ruark, carefully cuts out a special heart for all of Westland to see in a local business window display.MCN photo by Kimberly Woloskie

Love expressed

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Here's what some noted po-

ets have to say about love: • Love conquers all; let us too

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As love's young dream. Thomas Moore

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thought,

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• With all thy faults, I love thee still. Cowper

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What's hot, what's not, in Western Wayne County

What's hot in films this week? Mother with Debbie Reynolds and Albert Brooks is stili a good choice. As Valentine's Day approaches, In Love and War, a good romantic drama, will be the film to see. Kids should enjoy Zeus and Roxanne, a film about a dog and a dolphin, and suspense fans should put The Shadow Conspiracy with Charlie Sheen and Donald Sutherland on their list.



"In Love and War" is a good film to take your Valentine to

What's hot on stage? Conduct of Life will be staged at the EMU Theatre from Feb. 7 to 15; Ray Charles will appear at the Hill Auditorium in Ann Arbor at 8 p.m. Feb. 15, and the Huron Civic Theatre will present, Noises Off on Feb. 15, 16, 21, 22 and 23

What's hot on television? La Femme Nikita is a USA channel hit. Be prepared for the "February Sweeps" when all of the channels will be heating up the ratings with controversial topics and conventional taboos.

What's hot in video rentals? Still popular are Independence Day, Twister and The Nutty Professor.

What's hot in family entertainment? The 39th annual Detroit Boat Show will be open through Feb. 9 at Cobo Center, and Detroit Autorama, from Feb. 14 to 16 at Cobo Center, featuring many cars from Canton, Westland, Wayne and Romulus auto enthusiasts.

What's hot on exhibit? James Bonds' famous Aston Martin DB5 is at the Henry Ford Museum through March 9, and kids will be clamoring to see Dinoscience at the Detroit Science Center through March 9.

What's coming up? The Pontiac Silverdome Boat, Sport and Fishing show will open on Feb. 12 and continue through the 16th. On March 4 to 9, Walt Disney's World on Ice
— Toy Story will be at Joe Louis Arena, The Shrine Circus will come to the State Fair Coliseum on March 7

and continue until March 23. What's hot in clothing? Although fashion still takes second-place to warmth in clothing, stores are starting to display some spring fashions to warm our hearts and melt

our will power. What hot in foods? Soup and coffee to take the chill off. And, chili, too!

What should you say to your Chinese friends on Friday? "Happy New Year!"

What's the most irritating part of driving this week? Potholes! Bad for drivers and good business for tire dealers and shops that provide align-

Happy New

By JOAN DYER-ZINNER MCN Special Writer

The Chinese New Year is just around the corner - on Feb. 7 - and it's the beginnings of the Year of the Ox.

This year is being honored by a multi-colored 32-cent U.S. postage stamp, which featured the words "Happy New Year" in the upper right hand corner and Chinese calligraphy in the upper left hand corner that signifies the Year of the Ox. This is the fifth in the series of Lunar New Year stamps designed by Clarence Lee, a Chinese-American from Hawaii. He will complete the 12-stamp series in 2004, the Year of the Monkey.

Celebrations in Chinese communities are marked by fireworks and parades, but one could get into the spirit of the event with an Almond Chicken or Egg Foo Yung dinner, topped with a fortune cookie.

If you were born in 1901, 1913, 1925, 1937, 1949, 1961, 1973, 1985 or this year, you were born under the Chinese lunar sign of the Ox, which is the Oriental equivalent of the one of the 12 zodiac signs.

A person born during the Year of the Ox, according to the Chinese, is trustworthy, dependable, conscientious and blessed with a strong sense of integrity a patient and tireless worker who sticks to routine. Although he or she is generally fair mind-



Year of the Ox

ed and a good listener, Oxen can be stubborn with strong

The steady and trustworthy character of the Ox person makes he or she a good one with which to entrust responsibilities. Because they tend to be traditionalists, Ox couples are inclined to long courtships.

Some of notable people born under the sign of the Ox are:

Former presidents Richard Nixon and Gerald Ford, artist Vincent van Gogh, Greek actress Melina Mercouri, actor Robert Redford, comedians Peter Sellers and Charlie Chaplin, former British prime minister Margaret Thatcher, entertainer Sammy Davis Jr. and king of cartoons, Walt Disney.

On the dark side of the sign, Adolph Hitler was an Ox.

the Tiger, (1926, 1938, 1950, 1962, 1974, 1986 and 1998) which symbolizes power, passion and daring (Stevie Wonder, Charles de Gaulle and Hugh Hefner),

followed by:

Rabbit, (1927, 1939, 1951, 1963, 1975, 1987, 1999) one of the most fortunate of the 12 signs, it is the sign of longevity. Famous Rabbits: Benjamin Spock, Albert Einstein, Queen Victoria and Fidel Castro.

· Dragon, (1928, 1940, 1952, 1964, 1976, 1988, 2000) a person who is full of vitality and strength. Famous Dragons: John Lennon, Ringo Star, Mae West and Anthony Quinn.

 Snake, (1929, 1941, 1953, 1965, 1977, 1989) a deep thinker who moves quickly, the Snake has in inborn wisdom. Famous Snakes: Abraham Lincoln, John F. Next year, will be the Year of Kennedy, Henry Ford II and Greta Garbo.

 Horse, (1930, 1942, 1954, 1966, 1978, 1990) cheerful, quick-witted and popular, the Horse has an independent spirit. Famous Horses: Neil Armstrong, Franklin Delano Roosevelt, Rembrandt and Nikita Khruschchev.

· Sheep (1931, 1943, 1955, 1967, 1979, 1991) is righteous and sincere and is likely to be artistic and fashionable. Famous Sheep: Andy Warhol, Sir Lawrence Olivier and Rudolph Valentino.

Monkey (1932, 1944, 1956, 1968, 1980, 1992) is an inventor, an improviser and motivator sometimes a charlatan. Famous Monkeys: Mick Jagger, Paul Gauguin, Bette Davis and Milton

· Rooster (1933, 1945, 1957, 1969, 1981, 1993) tends to be overconfident and is bright and hap-

py. Famous Roosters: Katharine Hepburn, Yves Montand and Prince Philip.

· Dog (1934, 1946, 1958, 1970, 1982, 1994) has rigid will power and a sense of justice. Famous Dogs: Cher, Elvis Presley and Zsa Zsa Gabor. · Boar (1935, 1947, 1959, 1971,

1983, 1995) is honest, courageous, strong and has great fortitude. Famous Boars: Andrew Jackson, Humphrey Bogart, Henry Kissinger and Ronald Raegan plus Al Capone.

· Rat, (1924, 1936, 1948, 1960, 1972, 1984, 1996) forthright and honest (like Mickey Mouse), usually bright and sociable. Famous Rats: William Shakespeare, Jules Verne, Prince Charles.

If your birth year is not listed, subtract by 12s from the years listed to find your sign.

Inkster teacher honored for achievements

By JOAN DYER-ZINNER MCN Managing Editor

On Jan. 28, the Wayne County Reading Council honored Selenia Robinson for her "achievements, dedication and support of literacy in our community and surrounding area."

Robinson is a special education/learning disability teacher at Inkster High School and the Inkster Adult Education/Inkster Literacy Council coordinator.

She received the honor at the WCRC seminar, "Literacy into the New Century: Celebrations and Challengers," at Stout Middle School in Dearborn.

Robinson is originally from Macon, Ga., where she graduated from Ballard Hudson High School with honors and received a cosmetology license.

She graduated from Madonna University with a bachelor's degree in special education, learning disabilities and an endorsement in K-12 reading. A master's degree in learning disabilities was awarded to her from Eastern Michigan University in 1983, and she continued her studies in post-graduate classes in grant writing, literacy and school improvement.

Her goal is to help combat illiteracy problems in the community and surrounding areas.

Presently, Robinson has been a learning disability instructor at Inkster High School for 16 years and the coordinator of the Inkster Adult and Community Education/Inkster Literacy Council (The Reading Connection) for more than 10 years. As ILC coordinator, her involvement includes community activities, projects and reports.

The ILC was formed in 1986 with Robinson as coordinator to combat illiteracy using the Language Experience Approach.

"The purpose of the program is to teach non-reading adults how to read, train Adult Literacy volunteers to tutor students, communicate with other organizations, participate in workshops, presentations and conferences and to provide resources to the local program," said Robinson. "A student could be an adult from the community, an ABE student, a student working on a GED or any adult needing services. Tutors are volunteers from the community.'

She credits the help of IPS

staff, Director of Adult Education Delores James, Barry Hawthorn, Wilzetta Williams, Dr. Rosa Mallett, Literacy Council member, tutors and friends for the accomplishments made.

Robinson also worked with Michigan Community Newspaper/Inkster Ledger-Star staff members, Joan Dyer-Zinner, Tom Mooradian, Maude Reid and Theola Jones to collect books for Head Start pupils for the past several years and to promote the tutoring program.

She is a member of the Michigan Reading Council, which helps educators, adults and children to enhance their skills and/or to provide help if difficulties in reading is a handicap.

Providing help to those who want to learn to read and improving the skills of others is her life's main goal and dream.

She is the parent of a son, Sgt. Mark Antonio Robinson of the U.S. Marine Corps, stationed at Camp Lejeune, N.C., and has a daughter-in-law, Hue Robinson, a graduating senior at the University of Michigan-Dearborn, majoring in mechanical engi-



Selenia Robinson is being honored for her work to reduce illiteracy.

Deaf girl plays Alice on stage

By JOAN DYER-ZINNER. MCN Managing Editor

An 11-year-old girl from Detroit has been chosen to tour in the National Theatre of the Deaf's presentation of Curiouser and Couriouser, an adaption of Lewis Carroll's classic, Alice in Wonderland

Jorjan Lynn Jeter, a sixthgrader at the Michigan School for the Deaf in Flint, lives in a total-signing household with her parents, John and Jeanie and her sister, Justine, 7, and Jasmine, 2, all of whom are deaf.

She appears in the play with her aunt, Camille Jeter, who plays the role of Jorjan's mother and the White Queen.

The play is the first professional stage production of the "Alice" classic to be presented

The play will be staged at 7:30 p.m. Feb. 28, at Harrison High School in Farmington Hills. Tickets are available by calling Deaf & Hearing Impaired Services at 810-473-1888. All tickets are \$15.

in American Sign Language. In addition to the sign language and spoken word, the play will feature original music and choreography.

The play will be staged at 7:30

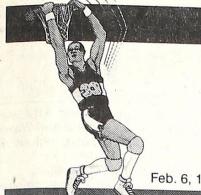
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Jorjan Lynn Jeter



Jorjan as 'Alice.'





Salem cools Glenn after Plymouth-Canton returns to chase

By TOM MOORADIAN MCN Staff Writer

A frustrated Plymouth-Salem basketball team - losers to natural rival, Canton, on Tuesday bounced back Friday from the heartbreaking loss to cool a hot Rocket missile which had its broblems getting off the launching pad at Northville earlier in the week.

Salem burned Westland John Glenn 87-72, leaving the Western Lakes Conference title picture in

As the week turns, Walled Lake Central stands in front of the pack with a singular loss. Crowded behind the league leader are a host of the twice-defeated, including Glenn, Salem, Canton, Stevenson and Northville.

Who will rise from the ashes is a not-so-rhetorical question fans and coaches are asking. There is little evidence that one stands above the crowd.

"If we had gotten the balanced (scoring) from our team against

Canton as we did against Glenn, we would not be in this predicament," said Salem coach Bob Brodie, after the big win over Glenn. "The youth factor surfaced against Canton. That really hurt us. Against Glenn, these kids played their heart out."

The Salem victory and Glenn's loss left the two Lakes Division opponents with identical 5-2 records.

Salem grabbed a narrow 20-18 lead after one as Brodie elevated sophomore Tony Jancezski to a responded with a career high 16 points and eight rebounds. He was also outstanding at the free throw line. Glenn came back early in the

second period thanks to a pair of treys from guard Reggie Spearmon and, with 6:30 remaining in the initial half, the Rockets enjoyed a brief 23-22 lead.

Baskets by Andy Power and Nate Gray erased the Salem deficit for good as the Rocks turned a 43-33 halftime margin in-

starting role. The young athlete to a 15-point bulge (63-48) for three periods, then coasted the rest of the way.

Power finished with a team high 18 points while Gray added 17 and Jancezski contributed 16. He sank six of eight at the foul line in the fourth period. In fact, the Rocks were incredible at the line with their clutch free throws they finished with 21 of 27.

In the meantime, Glenn got a game-high 23 points out of their versatile forward, Dave Jarrett, but Brad Wilde, despite a rare

four-point play, was forced to settle with 12 points, far below his average. Spearmon collected 11 points and seven assists. Jon

loose from a 27-19 halftime lead to win a crucial 60-47 decision over their natural rivals that returned coach Danny Young's

Wayne hoop worshippers see another title year

By TOM MOORADIAN MCN Staff Writer

As their hoop fans chant for a "tripeat", Wayne last week wreaked devastation upon Adrian and Ypsilanti in preparation for showdowns against the father-and-son combination that coaches Romulus and Dearborn Fordson.

Behind the Guess twins - Lorenzo and Lavelle -Wayne handed Adrian its worst basketball setback in recent memory, 81-55, Saturday night and slaughtered Ypsilanti 79-51 Tuesday to improve its overall record to 11-2 this year.

Wayne placed its 6-0 Mega Conference, Red Division record on the block Tuesday night at Romulus. Romulus, with only one loss (to Wayne) on the year needs a victory to keep in pace with the twotime defending champions.

This time around, Romulus and coach Guy Del-Guidice had the home court advantage for the second encounter, and Chuck Henry predicted "a very interesting game." The Wayne coach qualified his prediction with the following: "They (Romulus) have been playing very well."

On Friday, Henry and the Zebras will host another DelGuidice - Jeff- the Romulus' coach's son who will be bringing the Fordson Tractors to town.

"We have a couple of tough games ahead of us this week," Henry stressed. "Let's hope we can keep our momentum going."

Wayne dominated the first half against Adrian as the Zebras jumped out to 18-11 and 44-26 leads, but Adrian came back on the strength of Sean Carl son's long-range shooting to close the gap, 52-42, af-

A shoving match between Lorenzo Guess and an Adrian player resulted in a technical foul against Guess early in the fourth quarter and that call apparently was a call-to-arms for the senior point guard, who responded with a pair of steals he took

We have a couple of tough games ahead of us this week

Chuck Henry Wayne Memorial basketball coach

in for layups, and a third steal, flipped to the fastbreaking forward for the third layup which broke the game wide open.

Lorenzo scored 19 points for the evening. His twin, Lavelle, added 16, while Rodney Hurst counted 16 points for the game. Wayne also received double digits from forward Richard Rashad who scored 11 points and had nine rebounds.

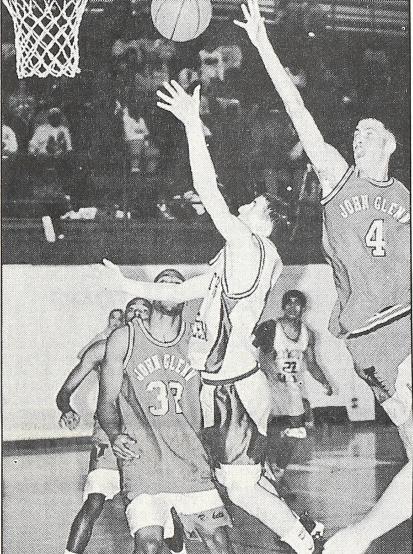
Carlson's 19 points tied Guess for the game's individual scoring honors.

Wayne put Ypsi on ice early as the Zebras galloped to a 27-13 first-period lead then trampled the Braves behind a 20-9 edge in the second period that gave them a 26-point cushion, 47-21, after two. Henry had an opportunity to use his bench most

of the second half, although the Braves outscored their non-conference rivals, 16-13, in the third peri-

Again it was Lorenzo who led the field. He had 20 points. Lavelle checked in with 17 and Rashad, along with Hurst, rounded out the balanced scor ing with Rashad finishing with 12 and Hurst col-

Also, school officials late Monday evening announced that the scheduled Mega Conference game against Woodhaven has been rescheduled for 7 p.m. on Thursday, Feb. 13. Fans should make



Tony Jancezski manages to sneak through Glenn's defensive maze for this layup beating Brad Wilde's (4) attempt to block the shot. That's Dave Jarrett (32) waiting for a rebound, which in this case came through the net. Salem pulled out the big win to stay in the title hunt. photo by Aaron Ortiz

Making his debut in a starting role for Plymouth-Salem, sophomore

Can Romulus steal the champs' glory

By TOM MOORADIAN MCN Staff Writer

With impressive victories over Dearborn and Ypsilanti Lincoln last week, Romulus roared into the week apparently ready to challenge defending champ, Wayne Memorial, and title contender Belleville for the top billing in the Mega Conference, Red Division basketball

Whether it was the roaring of a mouse or the Eagles soaring toward a share of their first confer-

ence crown, Romulus hoop fans will know late Friday night.

Up-against-the wall in the door-die duel, coach Guy Del-Guidice's club has undefeated Wayne Memorial, which has won the last two Red Division titles, and Belleville, which owns two conference titles, in their sights.

"We know what we have to do," said DelGuidice, whose Eagles lost to Wayne the first time around and realize a second loss would be fatal. "We have to establish our game and stop Lorenzo."

The Romulus coach was referring to 6-3 Lorenzo Guess, one of the premier prep players in the nation this year. (Guess has been invited to play in the Mc-Donald's All-American Classic after the end of the current campaign).

Averaging a bundle (20-plus per game) of points, the senior point-guard has led Wayne to a perfect 6-0 conference and a 11-2 overall record this season.

The Eagles appear ready for the challenge. They disposed of

a tough Dearborn by 20 Friday night, emerging with a 92-72 conference win. Romulus buried out-of-conference rivals, Ypsi Lincoln, last Tuesday, 92-52. They were up 41-20 at the half.

Dearborn kept it close the first half, but eight unanswered points in the third period lifted the Eagles to a 12-point lead and they coasted on their balanced scoring the rest of the way.

Five Romulus players reached double figures. Melvin Hicks scored a game-high 20 points while Brandon DeYam-

pert tossed in 18, followed by Lewis Atkins' 16 and Sean Dick's

Two other Romulus cagers -Reggie Kirkland and Randy Freson checked in with 10 points

Against Lincoln, hot-handed Hicks carded a career best 30 points, hitting a phenomenal 12 of 14 from the floor. He also found time to go to the boards for eight rebounds.

DeYampert continued to play

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Bedford wins Inkster wrestling

Vikings' Mimms is unbeaten

By TOM MOORADIAN MCN Staff Writer

Although they sent a "B Team" to the tournament, perennial state wrestling power, Temperance-Bedford, dominated the fourth annual Inkster High Wrestling Invitational.

Bedford, with three individual champions, compiled a total of 196 team points to surface atop of a field of 13 local and area teams. Dearborn Divine Child was runners-up with 142.5 points, while Woodhaven, a representative of the Mega Conference Red Division, fielded the third-best team at the invitational with 126.6 points.

Inkster's premier wrestler, 130-pounder Makimba Mimms, and teammate Keith Jackson, a 140-pounder, won gold medals.

"It was a strong and competitive meet," stressed Inkster coach Sam Ellis. "Some schools had prior commitments, therefore, had to send their ~"B" teams. But most of the teams that competed here sent their best."

Mimms, a blue chip wrestler who reportedly will be enrolling at the University of Michigan this fall, defeated Jason Sawmiller, of Riverview, in a close bout that ended in a 4-3 decision. It was the second time this year that the Inkster grappler has managed to come out of the battle with a victory.

Mimms has now wrestled 32

matches this season and his record remains untarnished. Jackson had a close call

against his 140-pound opponent, Rob Teets, also from Riverview. However, the Viking wrestler managed to walk off the mat with a 6-4 victory and the gold medal.

Medals were awarded to the top six finishers in each of the weight classes, according to Ellis. The Vikings came away with three fourth-place medals thanks to the performances of Mike Franklin (125), Marlin Franklin (145), Ashanti Walton

Inkster's 103-pounder Robert Hudson finished fifth, while Chris Tomlinson earned a sixthplace medal in the 189-pound class.

Among those who earned gold medals included Pete Kim (Divine Child - 103), Tom Wallace (Bedford - 112), Matt Stobinski (Bedford - 119), Mike Nidiffer (Woodhaven - 125), Makimba Mimms (Inkster - 130), Tom Asiutto (Riverview - 135), Keith Jackson (Inkster - 140), Andrew Peters (Clarenceville - 145), Donald Boehmer (Bedford - 160), Nick Phillips (Divine Child - 171), Walter Ragland (Clarenceville - 189), Joe Savel (Divine Child - 215) and Jack Rouse (Carlson - heavy-

Following the top three finishers in the final standings were: Southgate Anderson's B-Team (123), Riverview (117.5), Inkster (113), Clarenceville (108), Carlson (82), Memphis (80), Troy (B-Team -76), Redford Union (71), Garden City (B-Team, 41), and Wayne Memorial (B-Team, 23.5)

To tune up for their own invitational, Inkster turned back Ann Arbor Pioneer, 46-30. It was the first meeting ever between the two high school teams. The Vikings also crushed Highland Park, a former Suburban Athletic Conference opponent, 54-18.

"If we had wrestled Saturday in our tournament the way we had wrestled against Pioneer," Ellis later said, "we would have won our tournament title. The kids really were fired up for Pioneer."

Inkster winners in the Ann Arbor meet included: Robert Hudson, fall 4:55 in the 103 pound class; Mike Franklin, a 125-pounder, 14-10; Mimms, by a fall in 23 seconds in the 130pound class; Jackson, 140pounds, in overtime, 4-2; Walton, by a fall in 5:27 in the 160-pound class; Jason Phillips, 171pounder, by a void; and 189pounder, Chris Tomlinson, via a

Becher chipped in 10 in a losing Canton held the cold-shooting Rocks to a season low six points in the second quarter and broke

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Robichaud continues to play it cool

By TOM MOORADIAN MCN Staff Writer

For the first eight minutes of their encounter of a different kind with Allen Park, "the rhythm of the game didn't seem right," noted Robichaud coach Monte Dennard. "They had set the tempo, and we were reacting instead of attacking.

Trailing by four (15-12) after the first period, Robichaud erased the deficit thanks to baskets from Jason Malloy, Pete Brooks and Shannon Jackson to take command at the half, 33-30, and went on to post a 67-49 hoop victory over their non-conference, downriver opponents.

The victory was Robichaud's 11th in 13 starts and set them up for "one of the biggest weeks of the season," according to Den-

"We will see two outstanding teams this week," the Robichaud coach added. "And the way we handle the pressure is going to tell me a lot about this team."

Those two teams - Highland Park (on Tuesday) and Willow Run (Friday night) - are former Suburban Athletic Conference opponents. All three teams - Robichaud, WR, and Highland Park have been accepted into the Mega Conference and are scheduled to be assigned to one of the Mega's three divisions in the fall.

One of the problems Robichaud encountered against Allen Park was Nick Solitz's outstanding effort. Solitz scored seven of his game high 18 points during a spree in the opening period that sparked the Parkers.

But Malloy, a versatile athlete who starred on the gridiron, took control of the boards and snatched a total of 12 rebounds, and he also scored 14 points to lead the Bulldogs from disaster.

Malloy had a supporting cast that consisted of Brooks, who has emerged as one of the driving forces behind Robichaud's success. Brooks collected 13 points to help mobilize the Bulldogs' assault after the initial period.

Jackson chipped in with 10 for the Bulldogs.

In the meantime, Inkster continued to have its hoop problems. A double loss - 63-51 to Riverview Friday night in the wake of a 84-62 beating at the hands of Adrian last Tuesday left the Vikings with an overall 3-9 record.

"We are playing better," said first-year Inkster coach Ocie Carswell. "Unfortunately we aren't winning."

The flu bug also took a toll from Carswell's starting lineup. At least two of his starters are nursing colds.

The Vikings came out cold against Riverview which turned a 17-8 first quarter advantage into a 32-17 lead at intermission before coasting to the win.

Incidentally, the Pirates are coached by former Westland

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Belleville gets rammed

By LORI GILLESPIE MCN Staff Writer

Belleville's volleyball team ran into a "buzzsaw" when they met Taylor Center.

The Tigers were "rammed," 15-2, 15-7 in a Mega conference showdown.

"They have a very good team over there," said Belleville coach Terry Leonard of the Rams. "They lost to Taylor Kennedy and Truman, but I don't know how because they've been beating everyone else. They have all kinds of ability. But, when they're on, they're on. When they're not on, they allow teams to beat them. They were on last night.'

Although the first game was over before it began, the Tigers

By LORI GILLESPIE

MCN Staff Writer

volleyball team placed second at

in the finals after defeating them

in earlier pool play. Canton went

5-1 for the day in matches, and 10-3 in games. The Chiefs closed

out the tournament with a 29-5-2

Canton placed first in their

pool with a record of 6-0. The

Chiefs pool scores were: defeat-

ed Southgate 15-6, 15-2, defeated

Edsel Ford 15-1, 15-4, defeated

Bishop Borgess 15-7, 15-8. This

placed Canton in the field with a

number two seed out of 16

teams. In the quarter finals, Can-

ton defeated host team Romulus

the Romulus Invitational.

overall record.

The Plymouth Canton varsity

The Chiefs lost to Edsel Ford

looked stronger in the second, taking the lead, and holding on until a hot Center server served the last 10 points. "We just couldn't seem to break them,"

Leonard commented. Robyn Golden lead the Tigers with one block solo, two kills, and one assist. Brianne Leonard had two kills and one assist. Nicol Pond and Leia Lockwood each registered two kills for Belleville. Cindy Price went six for six in serving, with two aces. Melisa Parent had 16 digs, and Crystal Marcum, who the coach said did a very good job, had 10

digs.

"We're making too many hitting errors," Leonard said.

"We've lost our aggressiveness in our legs. We need to work on hitting and passing."

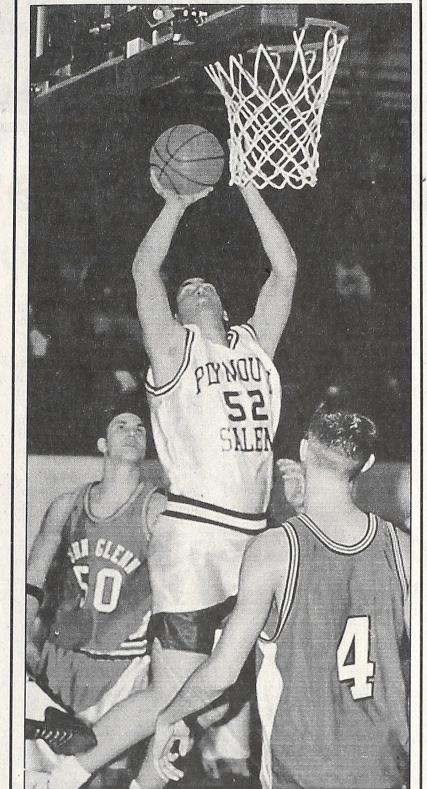
Chiefs runners-up at Romulus

We've lost our aggressiveness...

After the game, the coach stated that many members of the team asked him what they were doing wrong. "They've gotten complacent," he said. "They need to start pushing them-

Leonard said he keeps stressing to his team that all of their opponents will be gunning for Belleville this year, due to the fact that they are the defending league champs.

"They thought they'd be able to skate through on their ability," he said. "It's beginning to sink in that they need to be more determined to fight back a little bit."



In the semi-finals, Canton

faced a tough and perennial Class B powerhouse, Redford Thurston. The Chiefs could not hold a 13-10 lead and dropped the first game 16-14. Canton stormed back from a 9-2 deficit to win the second game 15-13. With strong efforts from Jessica Orleman and reserve Amy Plagens, the Chiefs were able to put away the pesky Eagles 15-10 in

the third game. The Chiefs headed into the finals against Edsel Ford. Canton won the first game in a span of 10 minutes with a 15-2 victory. Halfway through the second game, Canton hit the wall. As happens in a game with no time limits, the momentum changed and the Chiefs had no clock to run out.

Edsel Ford stormed back and squeaked out a second game 15-13. In the third, Edsel Ford could do no wrong and the wheels fell off for the Chiefs'. Although the Chiefs completely subbed out in two positions, they could not get more than two kills in a row, and dropped the third game with a devastating, but well-deserved 15-2 win for the Thunderbirds.

Jessica Orleman lead the Chiefs with 40 kills, 65 digs, 10 aces, and eight blocks. Her teammate Nikki Kovachevich contributed 41 digs, 10 aces, and 34 assists. Canton's Donna Logsdon had 20 kills and 51 digs, Courtney Wells added 59 assists and 10 aces. Jenny Sikora had 50 digs and nine aces for the Chiefs, and Stephanie Chefan had 39 kills.

Salem crushes volleyball foes

Although they won their 40th straight match in the Western Lakes Athletic Association, Plymouth Salem's volleyball team refuses to celebrate.

"We'll celebrate at the end of the year, when we have our fourth year going 11-0," said coach Allie Suffety. "We're five wins away from it. Then, we will have reason to celebrate."

The Rocks' latest victim was North Farmington. Salem stoned them in the first game, 15-0, and finished them off, 15-8, 15-

In this game, Salem had strong performances from many players. Jenny Trott had seven

kills for the Rocks, Amanda Abraham registered five kills, and their teammates Angie Sillmon and Jennie Storm each gathered three kills. Setter Kari Flynn scored five service aces and 13 assists on 24 attempts. Fellow setter Laine Sterling had 10 assists on 25 attempts.

'Our main strength is our athletic ability," Suffety said. "This is definitely the best athletic team we've ever had, and, we're tall. We're also inexperienced, but we're quickly becoming experienced." Very few teams could say that and boast a 21-44 record.

This week, the team travels to Farmington Harrison on Monday, and then welcomes Livonia Franklin on Wednesday. "I think we should get a couple of wins, unless the girls completely lay down. But, I don't see them doing that," Suffety said. "We face Canton and Walled Lake Central the following week. That will be our true test.'

Although the Rocks are on a roll, the coach said the team is not focused on the end of the season. "We're looking forward to (the play-offs).," Suffety commented. "But, we just want to be better tomorrow than we are today. That way, when the time comes, we will be a very competitive team '

Unchallenged

Salem's 6-6 center Ben Szczepanski (52) goes up for an unchallenged basket against Western Lakes Conference opponent, Westland John Glenn. Szczepanski and the Rocks handed the Rockets their second straight conference setback, which scrambled the title race. Also pictured above are Glenn's Brad Wilde (4) and Justin Berent (50). The Rockets will return to action Friday night at Walled Lake Central, a team that was atop of the standings at the beginning of the week, photo by Aaron Ortiz

Eagles

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outstanding ball - something he has to do to get his team to the district finals. Brandon collected 16 points, 11 rebounds and also dished out seven assists.

Myron Grey, one of the "silent heroes" of the team, emerged

with a fine effort as he tossed in 12 points and also snatched five rebounds.

If - and the word should be stressed - Romulus should find its way past Wayne and Belleville, the Eagles would grab a share of first place.

But Wayne (See Related Story on these pages) does appear to be in any sharing mood this season.

Play

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John Glenn star and All-Stater Steve Hawley, the son of Wayne Memorial's longtime athletic director, Bill Hawley.

Now, back to the game.

Against Riverview, Inkster had three players in double figures. Phil Baldwin scored 16 points and Tom Cunningham added 12 while Mario Logwood scored 10 and snatched eight rebounds.

Adrian outscored the Vikings 22-12 in the first period and breezed to an 84-62 victory Tuesday night. Inkster couldn't stop Adrian's guards - Sean Carlson, who tallied a game-high 26 points and Chris Howard, who

The Vikings countered with 14 points each from Cunningham and Baldwin. Johnson checked in with 11 points.

Glory

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Chiefs to the hunt.

Canton actually won this one at the free throw line where they realized 17 of 19 charities. Three Canton players, led by Nick Hurley's 21 points, reached double figures. Rob Johnson added 18 and soph Joe Cortellini sank three treys.

The best of Salem came from Jeff McKian who scored 14 points and Andres Lopez tossed in 12 points Salem entertained Livonia Churchill on the home court Tuesday night and is on the road Friday. They are guests of a Livonia Stevenson quintet, the only team this season to beat Central in the conference.

Northville outscored visiting Glenn 20-14 in the final eight minutes to pull out a 66-56 victory over the then Lakes Division

As in the Salem game, the Rockets managed to rally in the second quarter and actually led 32-30 after Hardin James came off the bench and nailed a threepointer from the corner.

Eric Jones, a 5-8 freshman guard, led the Rockets with 19 points. Brad Wilde and Jarrett each had 10. Northville and coach Tim Turner received commendable performances from Jeff Arenz and John Woodsum, who drilled 23 and 21 points, respectively.

If Glenn wants to stay in the pull down Central from the top of the hill. The two will clash Friday night with the league-leader hosting the crucial game.

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A burglar broke into the Culinary Arts room of Romulus High School on Jan. 27 and stole \$400 in cash from a metal cash box.

A Taft road home in Romulus was entered on Jan. 28 and a 1\$1,200 Fender Telecaster guintar was stolen. Police said the dintruder forced a sliding door onto enter the home.

An electrical disconnect box at \$8,000 was damaged at a meter pit at the Weiss Construction Co. at Middlebelt and Van Born roads in Romulus on

A guest at Shoney's Inn in Romulus reported \$350 was stolen from his coat pocket on Jan. 29, while he was out of his

Two juvenile girls told Romulus police they were forced into a vehicle at Shook and Tobine roads on Jan. 30 and later were sexually abused.

Locks were discovered cut and removed from five service trucks at Specialty Systems on Northline road in Romulus. Nothing was reported stolen.

Three Stihl orange-white chain saws were stolen from a pickup truck parked at an Ecorse road address on Jan.

An employee of A.N. Derringer Inc. of Romulus reportedly cashed 12 company checks valued at over \$18,000 on Jan. 30, police said. The exworker also reportedly left a note that she had resigned her job and had moved to Wiscon-

Burglars kicked in the front and rear doors of an Ecorse road home in Romulus on Jan. 31. Reported stolen were a television, VCR, a CD player and a guitar.

A black male between the ages of 30-40 reportedly exposed his privates to a group of females at Biddle and Ronald roads in Romulus about 6:10 p.m. Feb. 2.

The man was operating a green Ford Escort, police said.

A thief punched out the left door of a GMC truck parked at the Royce Hotel of Romulus on Feb. 1. Police said a set of golf clubs, a radio and cellular phone were reported missing. The theft reportedly occurred between Jan. 25 and Feb. 1.

Van Buren officers were called to Johnson Controls in Plymouth Township as a part of a mutual aid agreement. A call-out was posted at 6:20 a.m. Jan. 28, to several area departments, including Van Buren and Belleville. At 8:52 a.m., officers arrived at Johnson Controls, where workers are on

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By Glen Miller

Mortgage Institute of Michigan

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Fact: The interest you pay on your home mortgage is the single greatest tax tool available to you. No other method of payment allows you to deduct the interest from your taxes. Also, by using your equity, you can start on your home improvement today. Myth: If I refinance my home to family.

secure a loan, my mortgage interest rate payment will skyrocket. Fact: Interest rates today are still extremely low. Most likely you will be able



Glen Miller

to secure a rate similar to or lower than your existing one. Your payment should be moderate as your new loan is stretched over the term of your mortgage.

As you consider your home improvement, remember that you need to make the financial decision that is best for you and your family. Consider how long you will be staying in the home, your cash position and the potential tax benefits.

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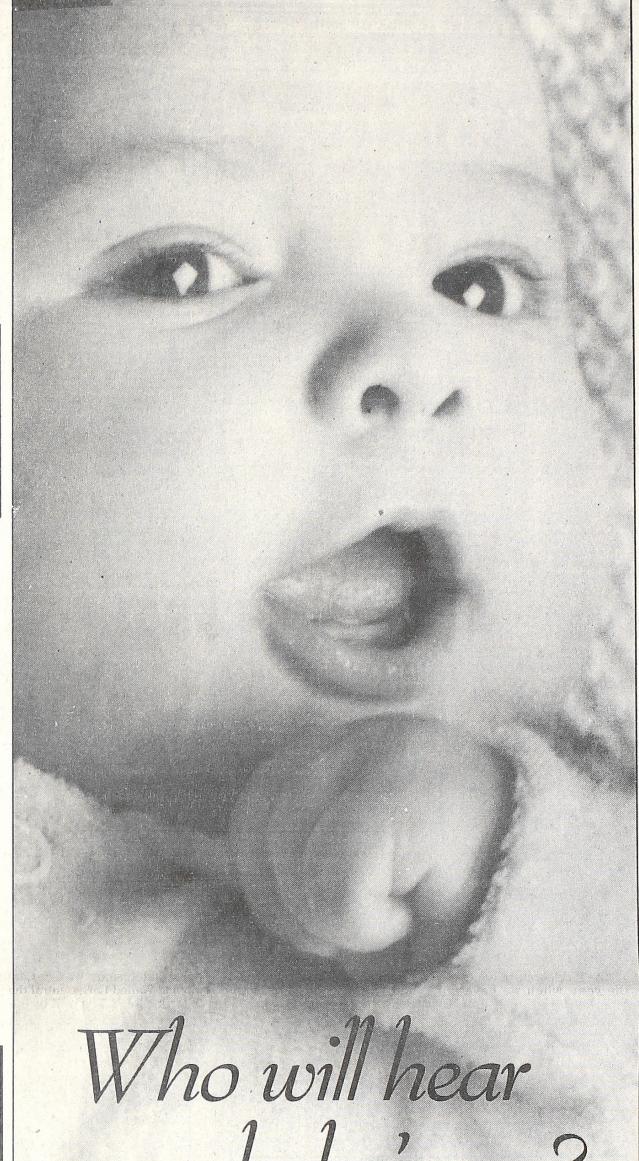
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EDS proposes to drill and operate the disposal well to inject non-hazardous and hazardous liquid wastes after well tests verify the acceptability of the well to the State and the EPA for such uses. The EDS Well No. 2-20 surface location will be about 1320 feet from the north line and 404 feet from the west line of the SE 1/4 of Section 20, T3S, R9E in Wayne County, Michigan, which is about 1320 feet north of Northline Road, approximately 450' east of the CSX Railroad line and west of Wahrman Road. Liquids will be injected into a confined, porous rock formation approximately 4020 feet below the surface at an approximate bottom hole location described as 1920 feet from the north line and 404 feet from the west line of the SE 1/4 of Section 20.

A copy of the application will be available for inspection at the Romulus Public Library located at 11111 Wayne Road in Romulus, Michigan. Copies may also be obtained from EDS at cost by contacting Mr. Austin Marshall, Vice President' of EDS, P.O. Box 74456, 26430 Northline Road, Romulus, Michigan 48174 or at 1-313-955-2100.

Questions regarding the application or requirements of Act 451 of 1994 as amended (formerly 315 PA 1969 as amended) may be addressed to Mr. Thomas N. Wellman, Permit and Bonding Unit, Geologic Survey Division, P.O. Box 30256, Lansing, Michigan 48909, or at 1-517-334-6974. All written comments and responses will be made a part of the permit application.

CITY OF ROMULUS NOTICE OF LETTING

Bid Number 97-05

Sealed bids will be received in the office of the City Clerk, 11111 Wayne Road, Romulus, Michigan 48174-1485 until 2:00 p.m. Prevailing Eastern Time on Wednesday, March 5, 1997. Bids will be publicly opened on Wednesday, March 12, 1997 10:00 a.m. during the Property Disposition Committee meeting.

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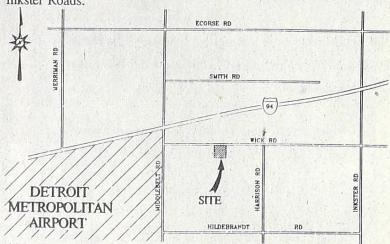
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CITY OF ROMULUS PLANNING COMMISSION PUBLIC HEARING

Please be advised, that the City of Romulus Planning Commission has scheduled a Public Hearing to be held Tuesday, February 18, 1997 at 7:30 p.m. Prevailing Eastern Time in the Romulus City Hall Council Chambers, 11111 Wayne Road, Romulus, Michigan 48174-1485. The purpose of the meeting is to consider PC-024-08-96, a request for special land use approval for a parking lot expansion for parking of trucks in a MT-2 (Industrial Transportation 2) zoned district. The subject property is approximately 2.98 acres located at Hall Transportation, 28745 Wick Road, south side of Wick between Middlebelt and Inkster Roads.



All interested citizens are encouraged to attend and will be given an opportunity to comment on said request. Written comments may be submitted until 12:00 noon, Tuesday, February 18, 1997 and should be addressed to Ardys Bennett, Building, Safety and Engineering Department, 11111 Wayne Road, Romulus, Michigan 48174-1485.

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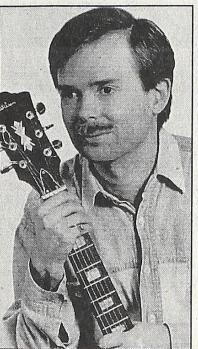
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Acoustic guitarist performs

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He will be featured on Inkster Channel 3 at 8 p.m. Feb. 15; Wayne Channel 20 at 6:30 p.m. Feb. 17 and 1:30 p.m. Feb. 20; Westland Channel 18 at 8 and 11 p.m. Feb. 19 and 26, and Canton Channel 18, 9 p.m. Feb.

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Richard Lawrence

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Romulus man promoted

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Brooks, 21, is a 1993 graduate of Romulus High School. After graduation he entered boot camp at Parris Island in June of 1994 followed by assignments to Camp LeJuene in the fall of 1994 and Selfridge Air Force Base in December of the same year. Brooks now serves with a Michigan reserve unit and attends annual training exercises in California at 29 Palms and Cherry Hill in North Carolina.

On Jan. 12, 1997 he received notice of his most recent promotion to Corporal. Currently he attends Henry Ford Community College where he hopes to complete work on a degree in the coming year.

Brooks' siblings include Billy Brooks, sisters Danielle Brooks, Lisa Marshall and nephew Justin Marshall. Grandparents are William and Charlotte Brooks of Dear-



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Carl and Kristle Ostrander of Redford are the proud parents of newborn daughter Alexis Breann Ostrander, born Dec. 31, 1996 at Henry Ford Hospital. Alexis weighed 7 pounds, 2 ounces; 19.5 inches in length and was delivered at 8:59

Grandparents are Gene and Helen Ostrander of Westland and William and Ettia Grima of Canton.

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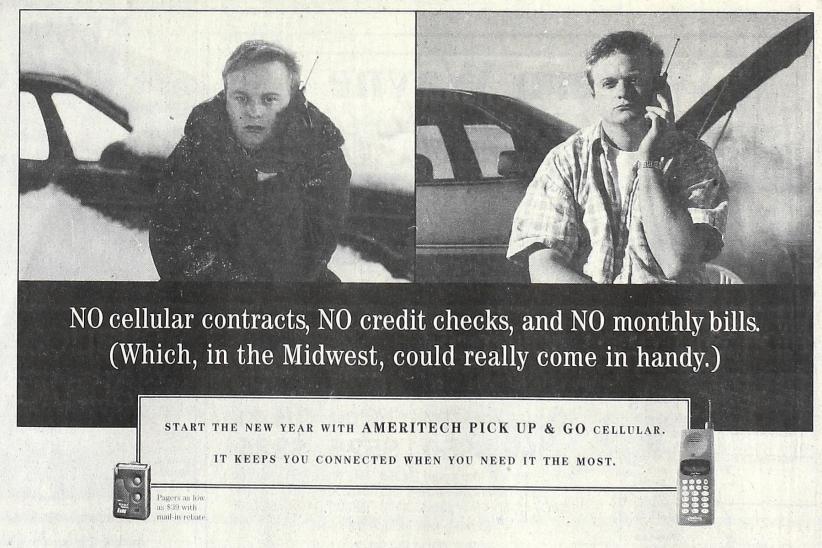
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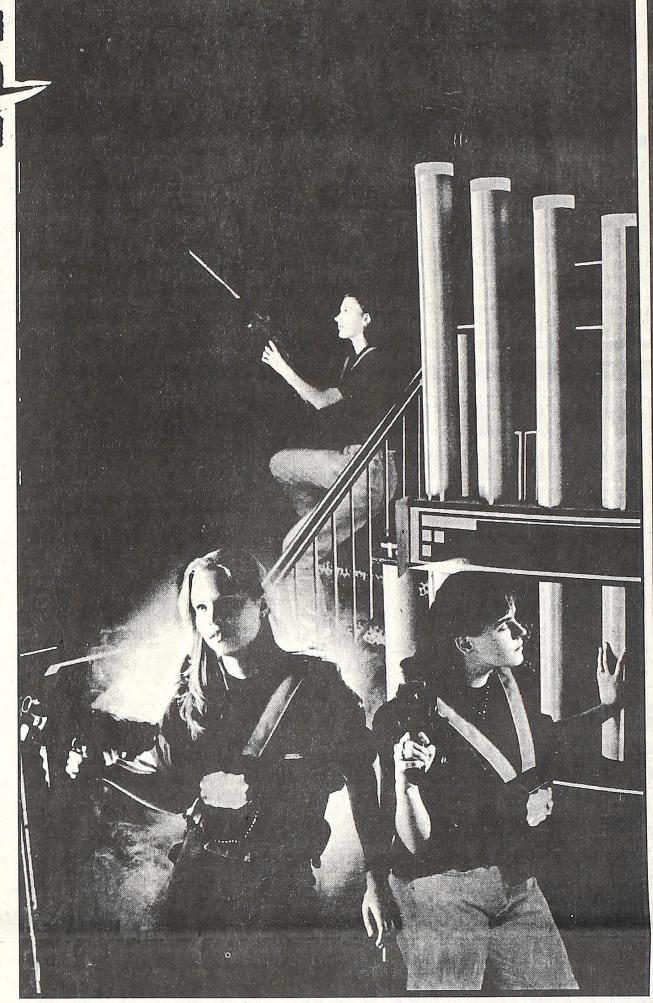
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Legals, cont. on B-7

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Deed# 1652

described:

Cert. # 01056

5. Personals





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NOTICE BY PERSONS **CLAIMING TITLE** UNDER TAX DEED

To: Dayle and Melodie Lindquist and Ezra Lee McComas Deed #1703 Cert. #03556

To the owner or owners of any and all interest in, or liens upon the land described:

Take notice: Sale was law fully made of the following described land for unpaid taxes on that land, and that the undersigned has title to the land under tax deeds issued for the land You are entitled to a reconveyance of this land within

6 months after return of service of this notice, upon payment to the undersig ned or to the treasurer of the county in which the land is situated, of all sums paid for the tax sale purchase, together with 50% in addition, and the fees of the sheriff for the service or cost of publication of this notice. The service or publication costs shall be the same as if for personal service of a summons upon commencement of an action, together with a sum of \$5.00 for each description, without additional cost or institute

proceedings for possession of the land. Description: State of Michigan, County of Wayne, Parc 41255000174000 Parcel ID WILSON AND FARLEYS

SUB FRAC SEC 20 T1S R12E L21 P2 WCR LOT

This is an improved

residential property. Property address: 3899 Dorothy, Hamtramck.

Amount Paid: \$1,617.46 Taxes for 1992

Amount necessary to redeem: \$2,431.19 Plus fees of the Sheriff.

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UNDER TAX DEED

To: Ann Gjokaj Deed #1710

Cert. #03603 To the owner or owners

of any and all interest in, or liens upon the land described: Take notice: Sale was law-

fully made of the following

described land for unpaid

taxes on that land, and that the undersigned has title to the land under tax deeds issued for the land. You are entitled to a reconveyance of this land within 6 months after return of service of this notice, upon payment to the undersigned or to the treasurer of the county in which the land is situated, of all sums paid for the tax sale purchase, together with 50% in addition, and the fees of the sheriff for the service or cost of publication of this notice. The service or publication costs shall be the same as if for personal service of a summons upon commencement of an action, together with a sum of \$5.00 for

Description: State of Michigan, County of Wayne, Parcel ID 41363000182000 HARRAH'S SUB L9 P72 WCR LOT 182

each description, without

additional cost or institute

proceedings for posses-

sion of the land.

This is an improved residential property. Property address: 9444-46 McDougall, Hamtramck.

Amount Paid: \$3,526.91 Taxes for 1992

Amount necessary to redeem: \$5,295.37 Plus fees of the Sheriff.

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NOTICE BY PERSONS **CLAIMING TITLE UNDER TAX DEED**

To: Shelah and Omega Cole and Dawn Meadows Deed #1709

Cert. #03591

To the owner or owners of any and all interest in, or liens upon the land described:

50% in addition, and the

fees of the sheriff for the

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tion of this notice. The ser-

vice or publication costs

Take notice: Sale was law-**CLAIMING TITLE** fully made of the following **UNDER TAX DEED** described land for unpaid taxes on that land, and To: Joseph and Kathleen that the undersigned has Schultz. Deed# 1695 title to the land under tax deeds issued for the land. Cert. # 03449 You are entitled to a reconveyance of this land within 6 months after return of service of this notice, upon payment to the undersigdescribed: ned or to the treasurer o

To the owner or owners of any and all interest in, or liens upon the land Take notice: Sale was lawthe county in which the land is situated, of all sums paid for the tax sale described land for unpaid purchase, together with

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additional cost or institute

proceedings for possession of the land. Description: State of Michigan, County of Wayne, Parcel ID 41170500087000 MORAN \$1,108.18 Taxes for 1992

P39 WCR LOT87

This is an improved residential property. Property address: 2301 Neibel, Hamtramck.

AND CROULS SUB L29

Amount Paid: \$1,357.52 Taxes for 1992

Amount necessary to redeem: \$2,041.28 Plus fees of the Sheriff.

FUNB Custodian for 1700 Palm Beach Lakes Blvd. Ste. 1100A West Palm Beach, FL 33401 1-800-528-4272

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NOTICE BY PERSONS **CLAIMING TITLE** UNDER TAX DEED

To: George, Lorraine, Harand Virginia Lautenbach, Jennie Rawsky and Ronald Moldenhauer. Deed# 1685A Cert. # 03314

To the owner or owners of any and all interest in, or liens upon the land described:

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Description: State of Michigan, County of Wayne, Parcel ID 41071500213000 COR-LISS AND ANDRUSS SUB L9 P71 WCR LOT 213

This is an improved residential property. Property address: 2277 Goodson, Hamtramck.

Amount Paid: \$1,397.06 Taxes for 1992

redeem: \$2,100.59 Plus fees of the Sheriff.

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CLAIMING TITLE **UNDER TAX DEED** To: Joseph and Ruth Wil-

Deed #1706

Cert. #03574

of any and all interest in, or liens upon the land described: Take notice: Sale was law-

To the owner or owners

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Description: State of Michigan, County of Wayne, Parcel ID 412937000067000 TAYLOR AN CONKLIN' SUB L14 P10 WCR LOT

This is an improved residential property. Property address: 3031 3033 Roosevelt Hamtramck.

Amount Paid: \$1,178.98 Taxes for 1992

Amount necessary to redeem: \$1,178.98 Plus fees of the Sheriff.

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CLAIMING TITLE UNDER TAX DEED To: Leonard Wilson

NOTICE BY PERSONS

Cert. #05160 To the owner or owners of any and all interest in or liens upon the land

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residential property. Brooklane St., Inkster.

Amount necessary to redeem: \$2,750.93 Plus fees of the Sheriff.

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R. (BOB) FERCH, RUSSELL E.

HARRIS, JOESPH L. HARRIS, VIOLA E. HILL, EFFIE F. JOHNSON, JUANITA CAMIN, BERNICE M. KOSS. WILLIAM L. KOSTIN, JOHN F. MCGILLEN,

NORMAN, GUILETTA C. SUMARA, MICHAEL F. TOBY, AVERY M.

(BOB)

sed away Jan. 28, 1997. Beloved husband of Kathleen (Sears) Cook. Dear father of Marlene (Dave), Pat (Ken), and Charlene survived grandchildren and 5 greatgrandchildren. Funeral Jan. 31 at St. Anthony Catholic Church with interment at Hillside Cemetery. Arrangements by David C

FERCH, RUSSEL E. age 71, from Romulus, passed away Jan. 27, 1997. Beloved husband of Marian and dear father of Irene (Gerald), Frank (Roxanne) and Robert (Frances). Also a grandfather of grandchildren. Services Vermeulen Funeral Home with internment at Fort Custer National Cemetery, Augusta, Ml. Arrangements by Vermeulen Trust 100 Funeral Home.

HARRIS, JOSEPH LEE age 77, expired Jan. 10 1997. He leaves to mourn his wife, Annie Ruth children Theresa, Jerry, Thomas, Barbara Jean and Aletha Mitchell, nine grandchildren, five great grandchildren, two sisters ans two brothers. The arrangements were entrusted to Penn Funeral Home, with the services being held at Christ Temple Church, with elder Luke McClendon, officiating.

HARRIS, VIOLA E. age 96, expired Jan. 11 1997. She leaves behind daughter Mary, son

HAZEL M.

COOK, CHARLES R.

Brown Funeral Home.

grandchildren and 9 great were held Jan. 29 from

Karlos, six grandchildren, thirty great grandchildren,

fifty-two great great

grandchildren, five great

great great grandchildren. Richard (Pat), and Alan, 13 The arrangements were entrusted to Penn Funeral Home with the services held at Parks Memorial Ame Church, with Rev. Home, Plymouth. William D. Philliphs

HILL, EFFIE F. age 75, of Brooklyn, MI passed away on Jan. 27,1997. Effie was born in

Pikeville, KY on June 25, 921, the daughter of Marion and Martha (Ray) Fields. On August 11 1938 she was married to Auty Hill and he preceded ner in death on April 2, 1985. She is survived by daughters, Betty (Ray) and Connie (Ronald), sons Paul (Jerilyn) and Carl (DeLane). Also by 9 grandchildren and 2 great

randchildren and by brothers Carl and Frank Fields. A graveside service was held on Feb. 1 at the airfax Memorial Park, Fairfax, VA. Arrangements ntrusted to the M.G. Braun Funeral Home, Brooklyn.

JOHNSON, JAUNITA Age 75, of Kentucky (formerly of Wayne), pas sed away Jan. 29, 1997 Beloved wife of the late Robert. Dear mother of Bobby, Eugene, Cristene, David, Herbert, Clarence, Ramona and Raymond Also survived by 3 brothers. Services were held Feb. 1, at Harry J. Will Funeral Home, Lents

Chapel, Wayne with Inter-

nment at United Memorial

Gardens, Plymouth.

KAMIN, BERNICE M. age 70, of Romulus, passed away Jan. 25, 1997 Survived by mother Agnes, brothers, Kenneth Henry, and John, sisters Linda and Nancy. Services were held Jan. 30 at St. Paul Lutheran Church with internment at Michigan Memorial Park, Flat Rock. Arrangements by Crane Funeral Home.

KOSS, WILLIAM L. Age 76, of Westland, pas

sed away Jan. 26, 1997. Survived by wife Viola, daughters Carol (Gordon) and Jane, 4 sisters and brother. Services were held Jan. 30 from St Reihard Catholic Church with arrangements by Vermeullen Trust 100 Funeral Home, Westland.

wife Constance, daughter Joan

(John), sons William

(Cecilca), John (Marilyn),

grandchildren and 7 great grandchildren. Services were held Feb. 2 at Vermeulen Trust 100 Funeral

HAZEL M.

Age 25, bom 9/5/71, passed away Jan. 26, 1997. Beloved mother of Micheal, Diane, Crystal and Kevin Alan. Preceded in death by dear mother Dorothy and grandmother Emma Daley, also four wonderful brothers, William, Donald, Harold and Thomas and several loving aunts, uncles, and cousins. Arrangements by Risko Funeral Home in Detroit, Services were held Jan. 29 at Risko by Pastor B. McCarty. Her body now

NORMAN, GUILETTA C. age 89, of Washington (formerly of Livonia), passed away Jan 27, 1997 She is survived by son Lyle, brother Alfred, seven grandchildren and many great grandchildren. Services were held Jan. 31, 1997 at Uht Funeral Home

with intemment at Cadillac

rest at Parkview Memorial

Cemetery in Livonia.

Memorial Gardens West, Westland. SUMARA, MICHAEL F. age 52, from Milford (formerly of Wayne), passed away Jan. 27, 1997. Beloved husband of Linda and dear father of Michele. Also son of Gladys and the late Frank Sumara. Services were held Jan. 30 with internment at

Tonya and Michele, one sister, one brother and ten grandchildren. Services were held Feb 1, 1997 at Uht funeral Home with internment at Glenwood Cemetery.

sed away Jan. 26, 1997. Beloved mother of Christine (Josh), Ronald and Dear

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LEHMANN AND EICHBAUER'S SUB L15

This is an improved

residential property.

Property address: 3326 Holbrook, Hamtramck.

Amount necessary to

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West Palm Beach, FL

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UNDER TAX DEED

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Description: State of

Michigan, County of Wayne, Parcel ID

44002010315000 GRAND

VIEW GARDENS SUB NO.

1 T2S R9E L47 P45 WCR

This is an improved

residential property.

Property address: 29605

\$1,051.19 Taxes for 1992

Amount necessary to redeem: \$1,581.79 Plus

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West Palm Beach, FL

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Hazelwood, Inkster.

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Amount Paid:

sion of the land.

To: James E. Caldwell

Deed# 1730

described:

Cert. # 05013

Jan. 30, 1997

Feb. 06, 1997

Feb. 13, 1997

redeem: \$1,667.27

fees of the Sheriff.

FUNB Custodian for

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sion of the land.

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P10 WCR LOT 9

Amount Paid:

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Description: State of Michigan, County of Wayne, Parcel ID 44009020287000 DEARBORN ACRES SUB NO. 2 T2S R9E L33 P79 WCR LOT 287

This is an improved Property address: 29844

Amount Paid: \$1,830.62 Taxes for 1992

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COOK, CHARLES

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age 71, of Belleville, pas-Tim). Dear son of the late Charles and Eva. Brother of Viola Simmons, Also nass was celebrated on

KOSTIN, JOHN J. Age 84, of Dearborn, pas sed away Jan. 30, 1997

Parkview Memorial Cemetery, Livonia.

TOBY, AVERY M. age 52, of Taylor, passed away Jan. 29, 1997. Survived by wife Elma, sons Walter, Tony, Edward, Timand Tom, daughters

WOOD, KAY M. age 48, of Westland, pas-

Eugene. grandmother of Jessika. Services were held at the Vermeullen Memorial Funeral Home with internment at Mt. Hope Memorial Gardens, Livonia. Arrangements by Vermeulen Trust 100 Funeral Home.

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BRANCH SUB T1S R10E

This is an improved

residential property.

L39 P39 WCR LOT 42

\$1,216.33 Taxes for 1992 Amount necessary to redeem: \$1,829,50 Plus fees of the Sheriff.

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NOTICE BY PERSONS Description: State of Michigan, County of Wayne, Parcel ID CLAIMING TITLE UNDER TAX DEED 79016010042000 BELL

To: Mark and Deane Olko Deed #1723 Cert. #03726

To the owner or owners of any and all interest in, or liens upon the land described:

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fully made of the following

described land for unpaid taxes on that land, and that the undersigned has title to the land under tax deeds issued for the land. You are entitled to a reconveyance of this land within 6 months after return of service of this notice, upon payment to the undersig-

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Description: State of Michigan, County of Wayne, Parcel ID 41432503020000 D.W. SIMON'S HIGHLAND

SUB BLK 3 L11 P46 WCR

proceedings for posses-

sion of the land.

LOT 20

Amount Paid:

This is an improved residential property. Property address: 11393 McDougall, Hamtramck.

\$3,372.61 Taxes for 1992

Amount necessary to redeem: \$5,063.92 Plus fees of the Sheriff.

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Feb. 13, 1997 NOTICE BY PERSONS FUNB Custodian for **CLAIMING TITLE**

To: James Steel, Lewsi Smith and Occupant of 748 Middlebelt, Inkster. Deed #1731 Cert. #05028

UNDER TAX DEED

To the owner or owners of any and all interest in, or liens upon the land described:

Take notice: Sale was lawfully made of the following described land for unpaid taxes on that land, and that the undersigned has title to the land under tax deeds issued for the land. You are entitled to a reconveyance of this land within 6 months after return of service of this notice, upon payment to the undersigned or to the treasurer of the county in which the land is situated, of all sums paid for the tax sale purchase, together with 50% in addition, and the fees of the sheriff for the service or cost of publication of this notice. The service or publication costs shall be the same as if for personal service of a summons upon commencement of an action, together with a sum of \$5.00 for each description, without additional cost or institute proceedings for posses-sion of the land.

Michigan, County of Wayne, Parcel ID 44002010571001 GRAND VIEW GARDENS SUB NO. 1 T2S R9E L47 P45 WCR LOT 571 EXC

THE E 17 FT THEREOF

Description: State of

residential property Property address: 748 Middlebelt, Inkster.

Amount Paid: \$2,742.94 Taxes for 1992

Amount necessary to redeem: \$4,119.41 Plus fees of the Sheriff.

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NOTICE BY PERSONS CLAIMING TITLE UNDER TAX DEED

To: James Hubbard Deed #1761 Cert. #05416

To the owner or owners of any and all interest in, or liens upon the land described:

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Description: State of Michigan, County of Wayne, Parcel ID 44014020269000 BURNS-VAN ALSTINE SUB T2S R9E L60 P70 WCR LOT 269

This is an improved residential property Property address: 26125 Andover St., Inkster.

Amount Paid: \$1,448.99 Taxes for 1992

Amount necessary to redeem: \$2,178.49 Plus fees of the Sheriff.

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CLAIMING TITLE UNDER TAX DEED To: John and LaVerne

NOTICE BY PERSONS

Gaines Deed #1767 Cert. #05536

To the owner or owners of any and all interest in, or liens upon the land described:

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> Description: State of Michigan, County of Wayne, Parcel ID 44020020302000 WESTWOOD SUB OF J.W. DALY FARM T2S R10E L41 P19 WCR LOTS 302 AND 303 ALSO S 1/2 ADJ VAC ALLEY

> This is an improved residential property. Property address: 26290 Plum St., Inkster.

Amount Paid: \$1,566.30 Taxes for 1992

Amount necessary to redeem: \$2,354.45 Plus fees of the Sheriff. FUNB Custodian for

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NOTICE BY PERSONS CLAIMING TITLE UNDER TAX DEED

To: Lee Burnell

Deed #1771 Cert. #05616 To the owner or owners

of any and all interest in, or liens upon the land described: Take notice: Sale was law-

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Michigan, County of Wayne, Parcel ID 44022010527002 WESTWOOD SUB OF VAN ALSTINE FARM T2S R10E L40 P29, 30 WCR E 1 FT OF LOT 527 ALSO LOT 528 ALSO 1/2 ADJ VAC ALLEY

This is an improved residential property. Property address: 27324 New York St., Inkster.

Amount Paid:

\$1,681.88 Taxes for 1992 Amount necessary to redeem: \$2,527.82 Plus

fees of the Sheriff. FUNB Custodian for

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proceedings for posses-

sion of the land.

This is an improved residential property Property address: 26801 Norfolk, Inkster. Amount Paid:

\$1,852.25 Taxes for 1992

Amount necessary to redeem: \$2,783.38 Plus fees of the Sheriff. FUNB Custodian for

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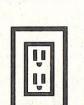
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1HGEG854XNL014670 1989 Ford Tempo 4 dr. 1FAPP36X0KK236502 Oldsmobile Toronado 2 dr. 1G3AZ57N2BE337493

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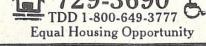
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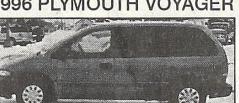
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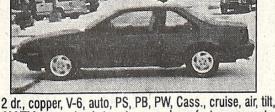
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der its counter-part the J30. And I found it to be even peppier. Although they have com-

parable engines.

The ride was smooth as glass and the suspension handled wonderfully. This car just hugs the road. The only drawback is that it is horrible in the snow. The traction just is not there. The control is not there either in inclement weather. That's because it is rear-wheeldrive. However, if you drive slowly and carefully you should be fine.

Let's talk a little bit about the cabin. Plenty of comfortable seating for up to five people. The interior is rather stately. From all of the wood veneer to the lush leather seating. Have I mentioned how crisp and clear the stereo is? Especially when listening to a CD. I think a lot has to do with the Bose system that adorns the front and rear of the cabin.

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Driving the 1997 Infiniti I30 was a pleasure. I have also driven its counter-part the J30, which I also found to be a great automobile. It even has a little more in the way of style with a sleeker design. Either one you choose would be a wise decision. The I30 was prices at \$33,000 as tested, and the J30 is slightly higher (but worth it)! The gas mileage was moderate 17 city and 25 highway.

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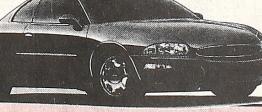
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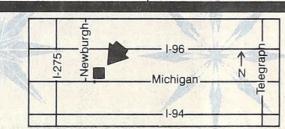
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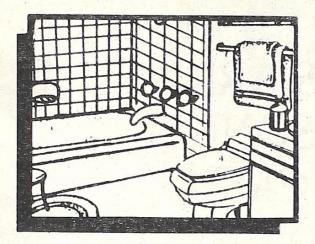
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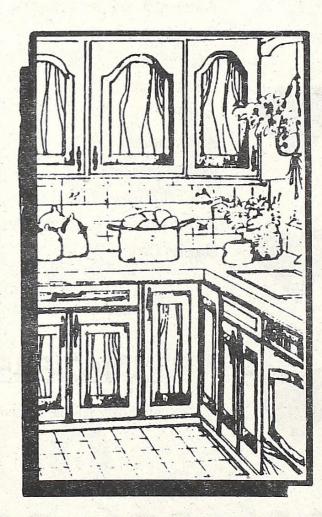
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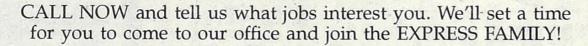
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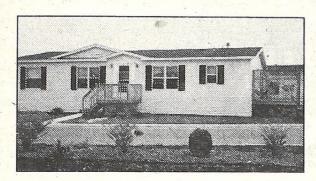
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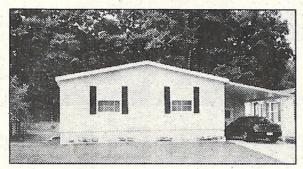
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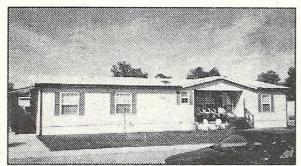
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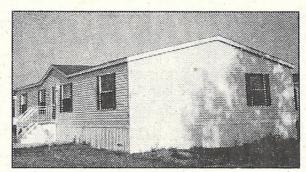
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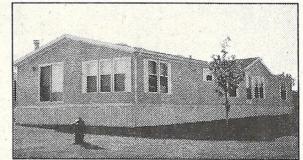




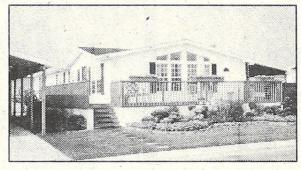


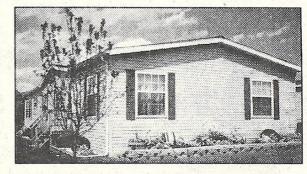


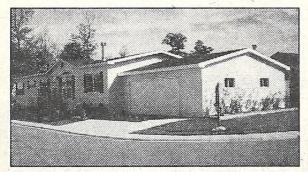




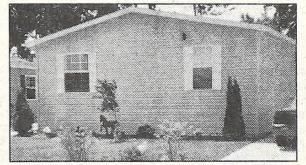












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Veteran Romulus accountant and Thomas is ready to help area families, business partnerships and corporations with their 1996 tax forms this year.

Thomas, who ironically has been doing tax forms for people since he was a mere 11 years of age, said he enjoys taking the fear out of preparing tax forms for all types of persons including single parents.

"It seems single parents become unnecessarily frightened when those annual federal and state tax booklets arrive in the mail each January," Thomas said. "I enjoy eliminating that concern with a speedy usually same day delivery service," he continued.

Today Thomas operates the busy professional A-1 Accounting and Tax Preparation Service Co. at 31262 Ecorse road in Romulus.

Born in the Inkster area, Thomas later graduated from Morehouse College in Atlanta, Ga. While attending that college Thomas prepared the tax forms for several fund possible.

hundred of his fellow students every year.

Since then he earned his master's degree at Central Michigan Univertax preparation specialist Kenneth sity and has worked as a math instructor at Washtenaw Community College for the past eight years.

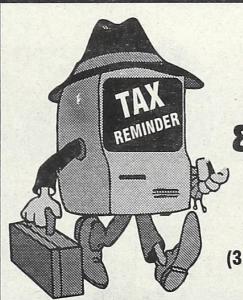
"This begins our busiest period of the year," Thomas said, "and yet we are still able to handle in most cases a same day tax service program. As it gets closer to April 15 that program is altered somewhat."

To help senior citizens and other busy persons, Thomas revealed, A-1 Accounting and Tax Service agents will pick-up tax information at the client's home and return the completed forms later.

Thomas said he also offers a substantial senior citizen discount for tax services.

"A-1 Accounting and Tax Service also is equipped to handle those quick refund procedures many clients ask for," Thomas said.

Because annually many tax procedures changes occur, Thomas attends tax schools so that he remains up to date with all procedures to help his clients get the largest re-



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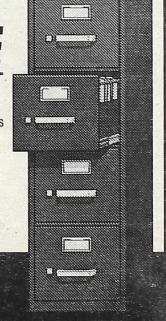
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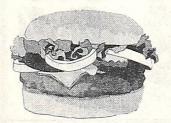
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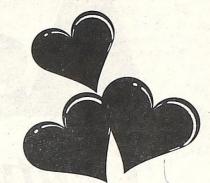
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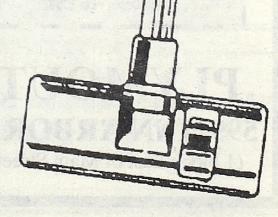
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- Greg LaVier

make silly mistakes. This policy has worked out best for him and his customers, he said.

So why do taxes strike fear into the hearts of the strongest people? LaVier said it's basically because of a lack of expertise. For people without the skills or knowledge of current tax laws, it's probably cheaper to have a professional handle their taxes. Mistakes can be more costly than the fees, he added.

Unlike some larger firms, LaVier said he stays abreast of tax laws. He attends many seminars and meet-

"I go to probably more seminars and meetings than I really need to,' LaVier said.

He has been a public accountant since the early 1970s, and said he prides himself on staying abreast of tax law changes so that his customers receive maximum deductions, and likewise don't receive deductions for things no longer rel-

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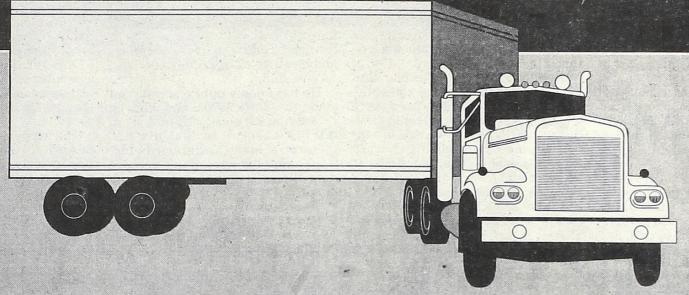
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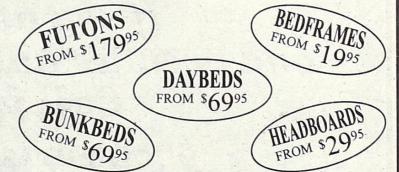






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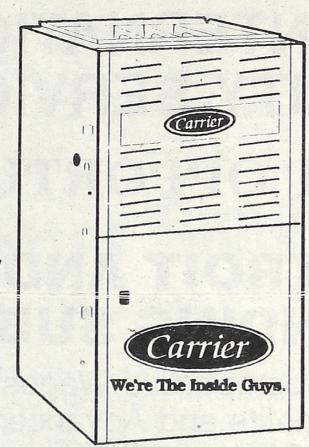
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